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Ali Baba

... is caught by Mrs. Ali Baba admiring a beautiful nurse. And there is trouble! Trouble, too, when their son Zaza upsets the evil Pirate Pasha Kasha. But while they go through a lot of troubles, you get plenty of laughs.

Unusual Sports Stars

... includes the 90-year-old billiard champion; the builder of the yacht "110" for people who are not rich; and the outstanding woman athlete.

Inspector Hunt

... runs into race horse gangsters who are out to murder his sweetheart, Arizona Lee, the night club dancer-singer. Fortunately, the Inspector is still one of the greatest detectives in America!

Child Prodigy

... She is only seven years old.

Battle of the Beasts

... This time it is a porcupine vs. Skunk.

Electric Pin Boy

... The latest that Science is contributing to make Life and Sports easier.

Puzzle Page

... tests how smart you are.

Junior Star Of The Month

... This month you will read about the little couple who were big on bravery.

World's Richest Man Hires A Scientist

Saxie & Peaches

... "Any special place where you want your body sent?" asks Teck addressing his pal, Saxie, after they got in wrong with their high school professor. They had played a practical joke on the prof. The girl friends, Peaches and Melly are mixed up in this screw-ball affair.

True - Dramatic Crime

... This month you will read about the three murderous brothers who attacked an express train in an Oregon tunnel.

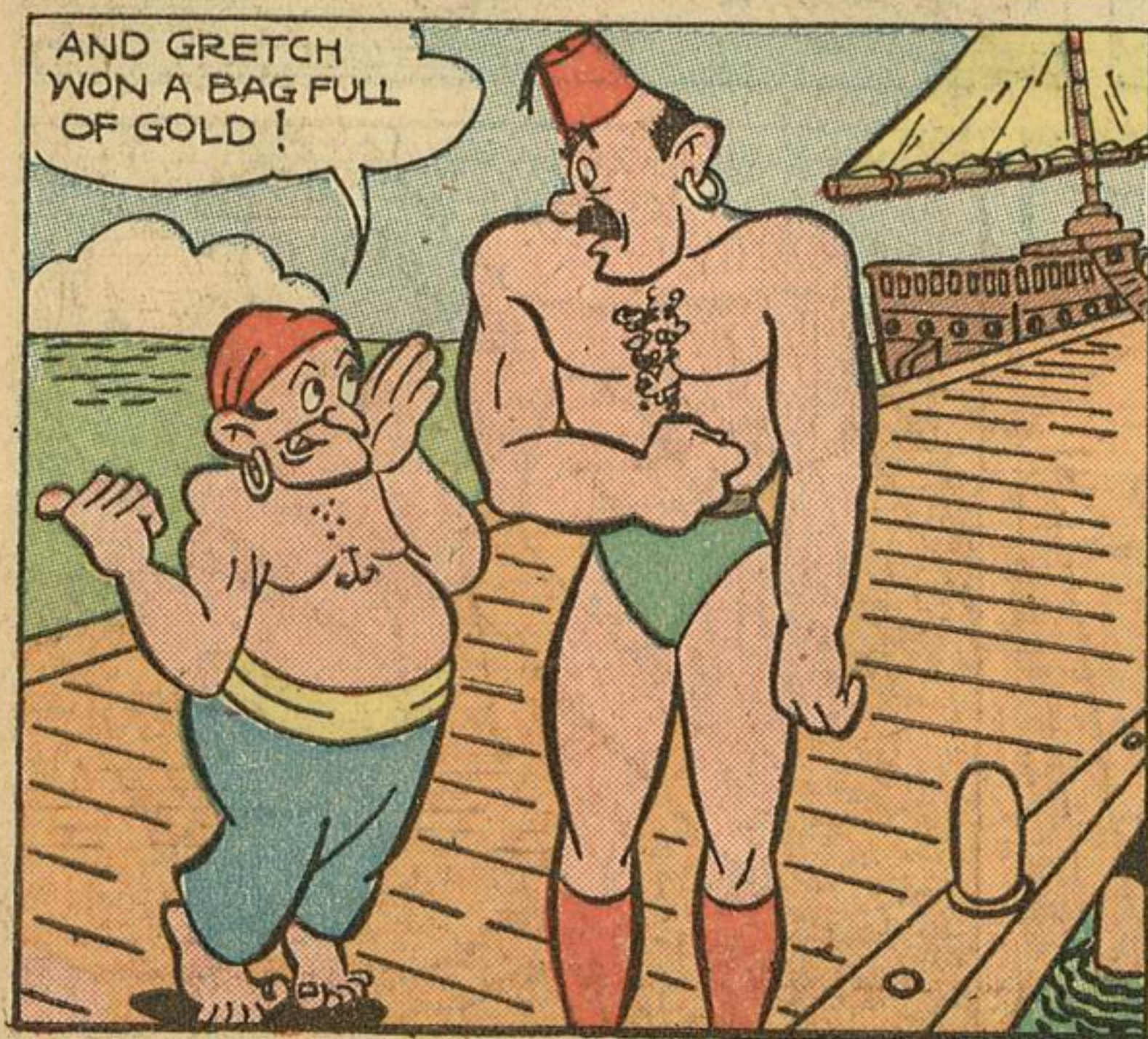
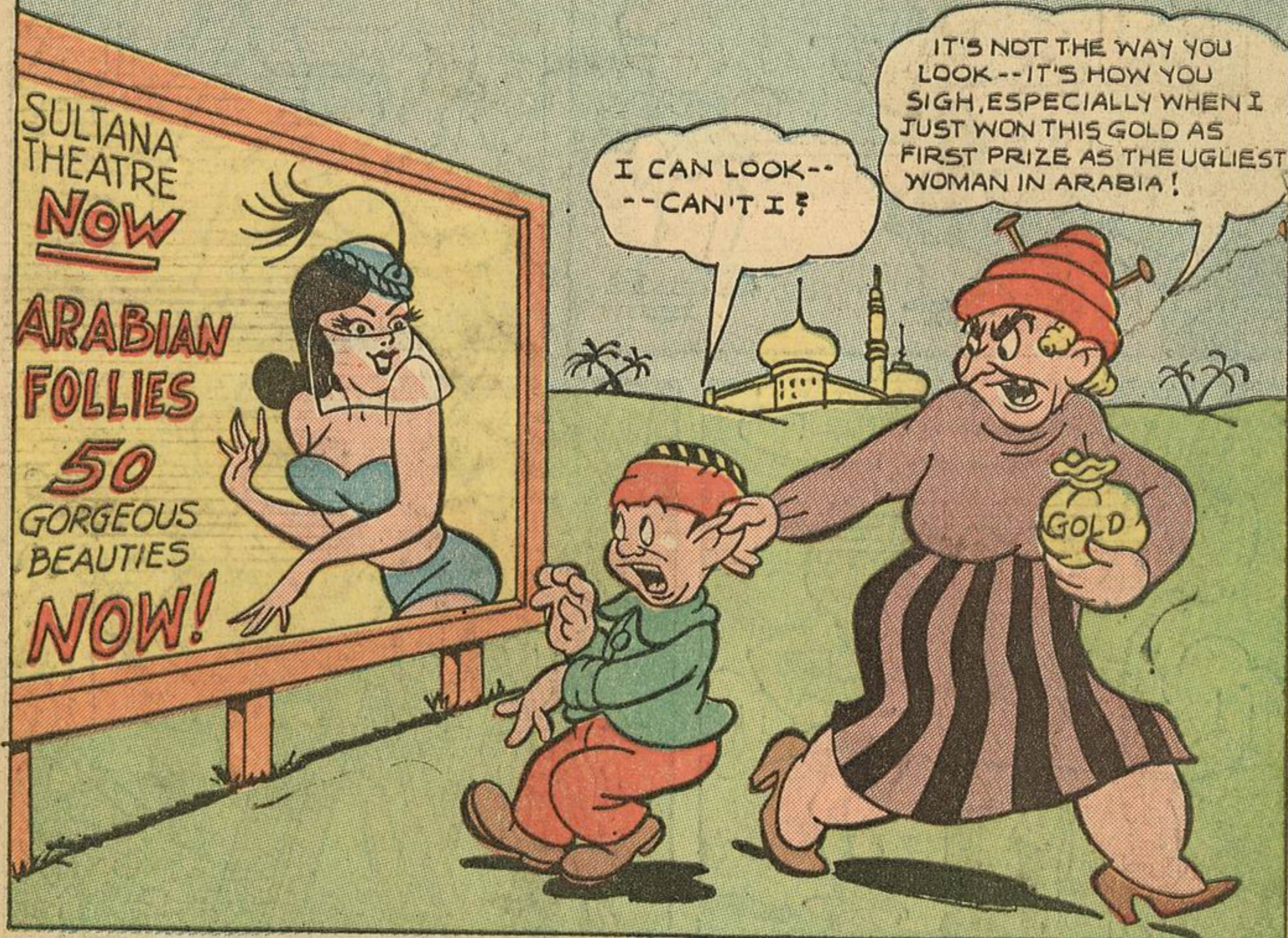
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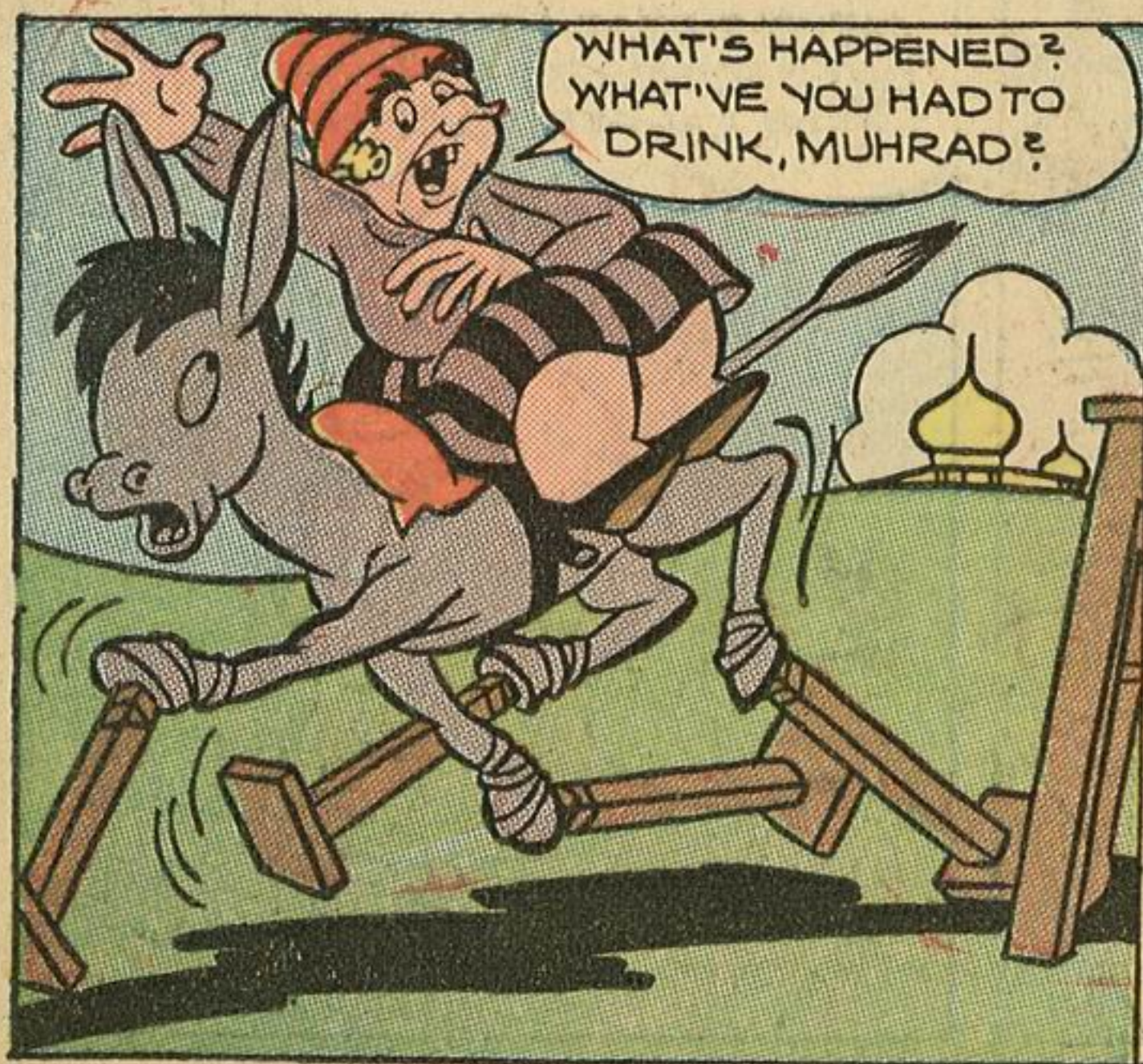
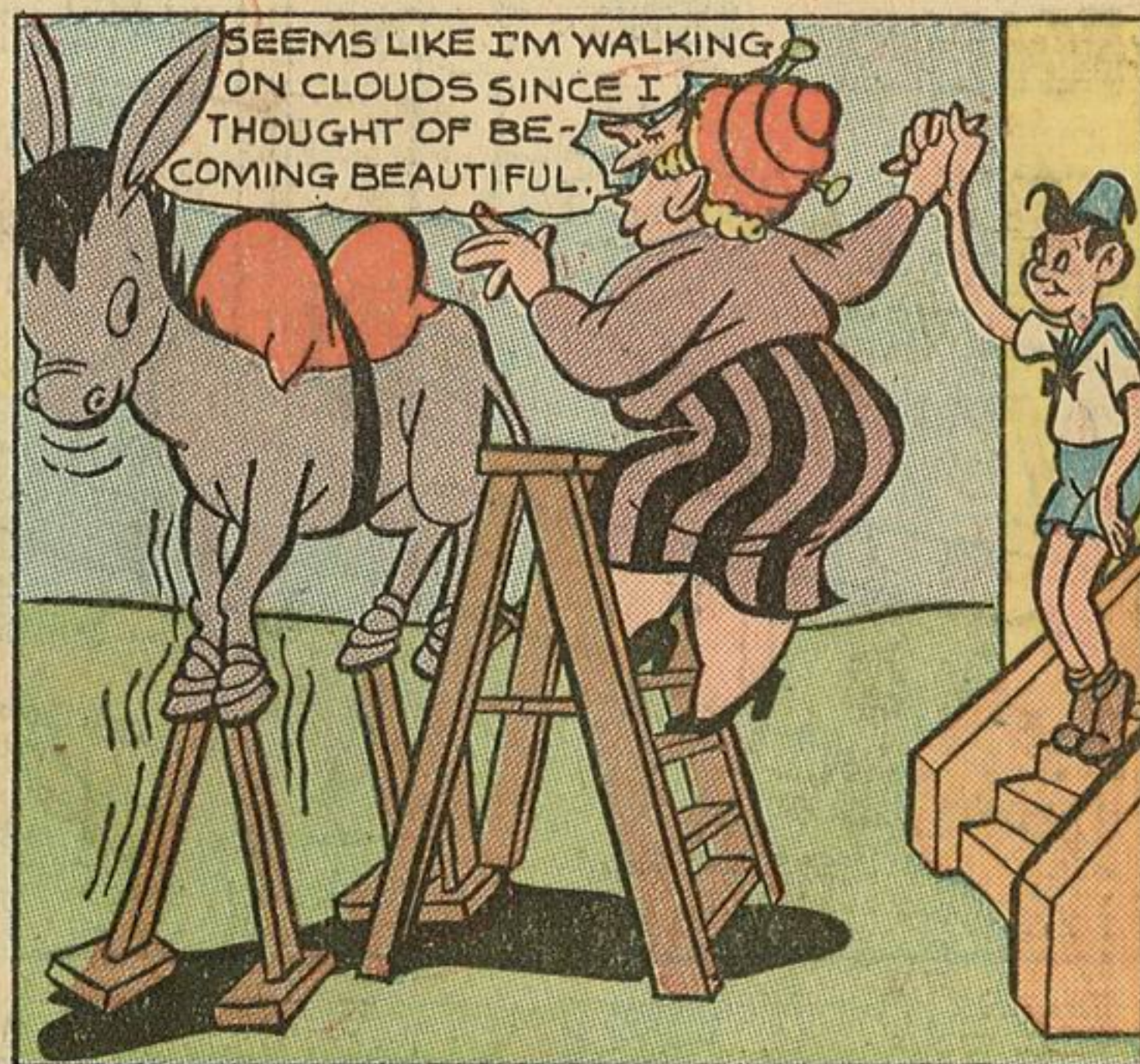
... meets up with more prehistoric monsters, the bad "Muscles" Malon, a jungle beauty, and his sweetheart of his Hollywood movie days.

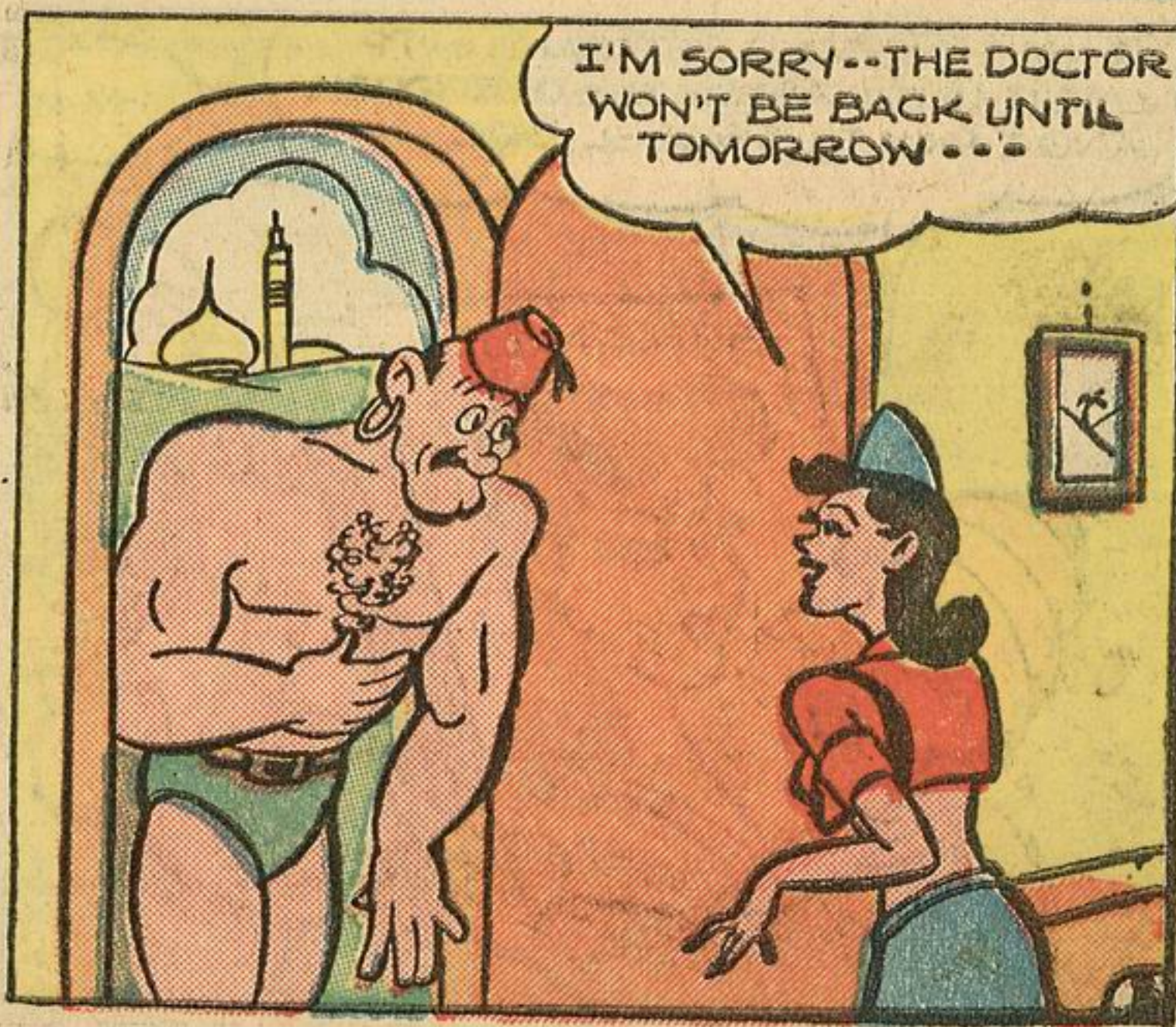
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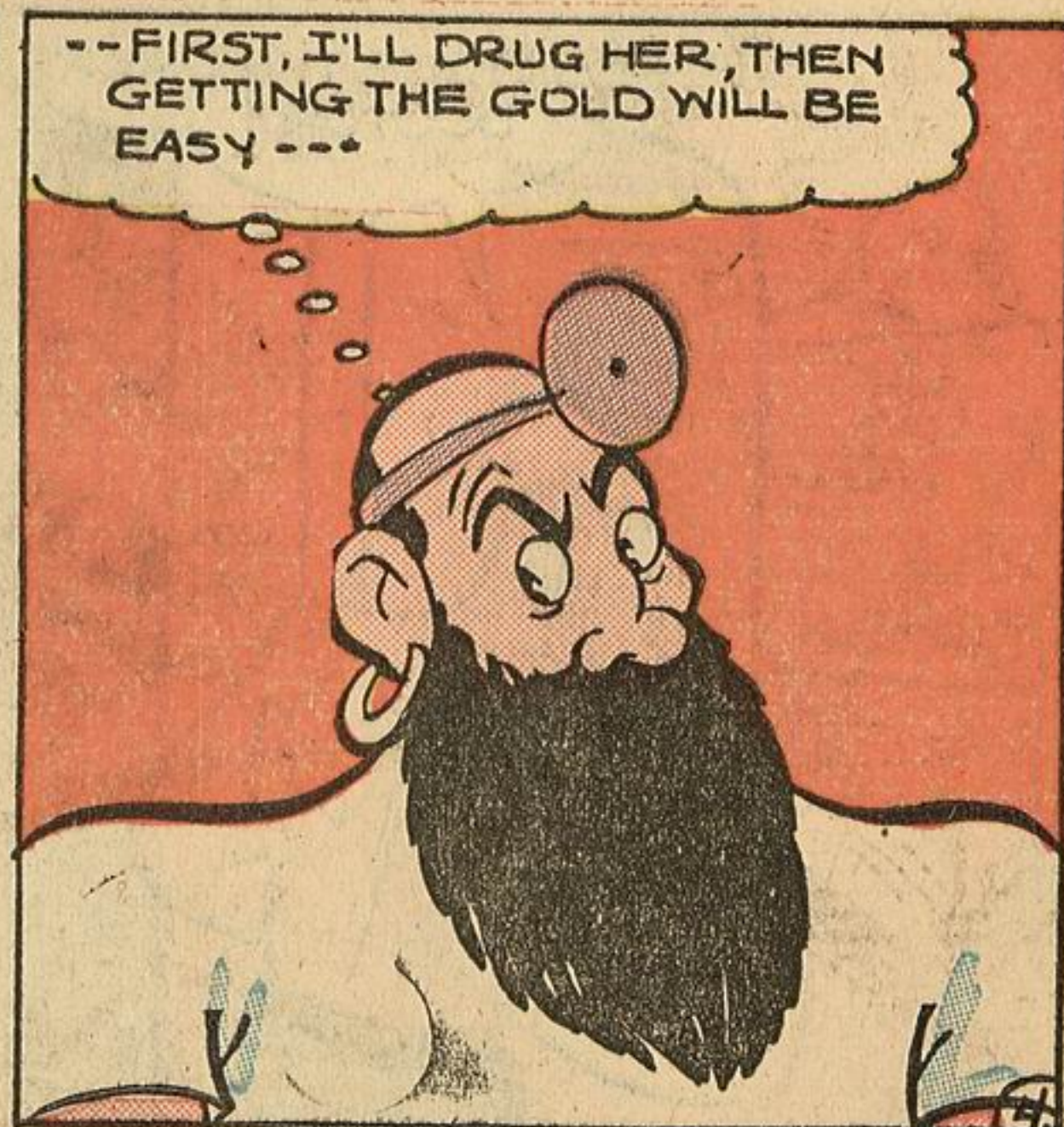
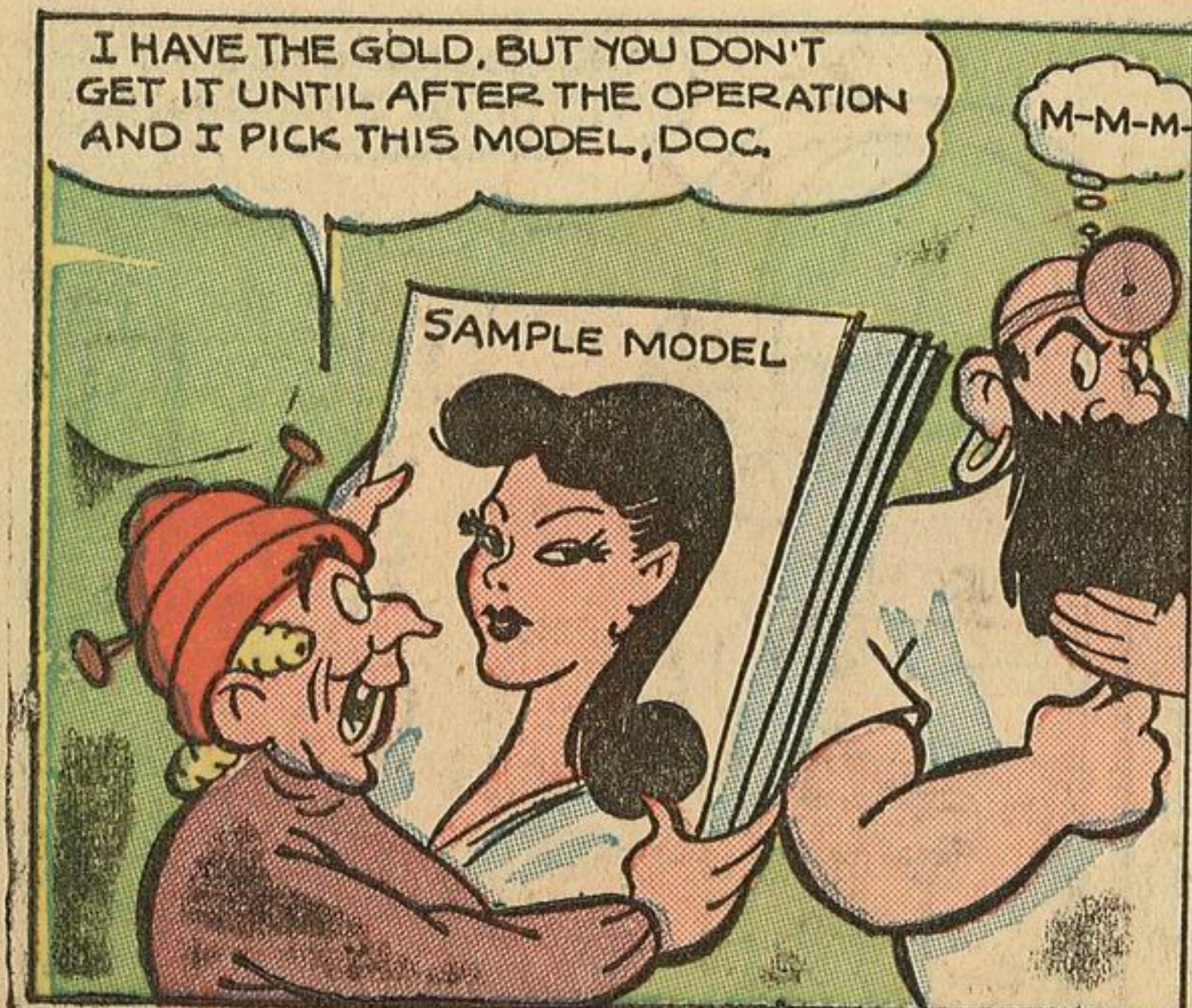
... "The Fearless Four" continue to have plenty of adventure on their ranch, in the air and in a strange distant land. They are even caged and have peanuts tossed at them. But no bunch of mobsters can keep them down for long!

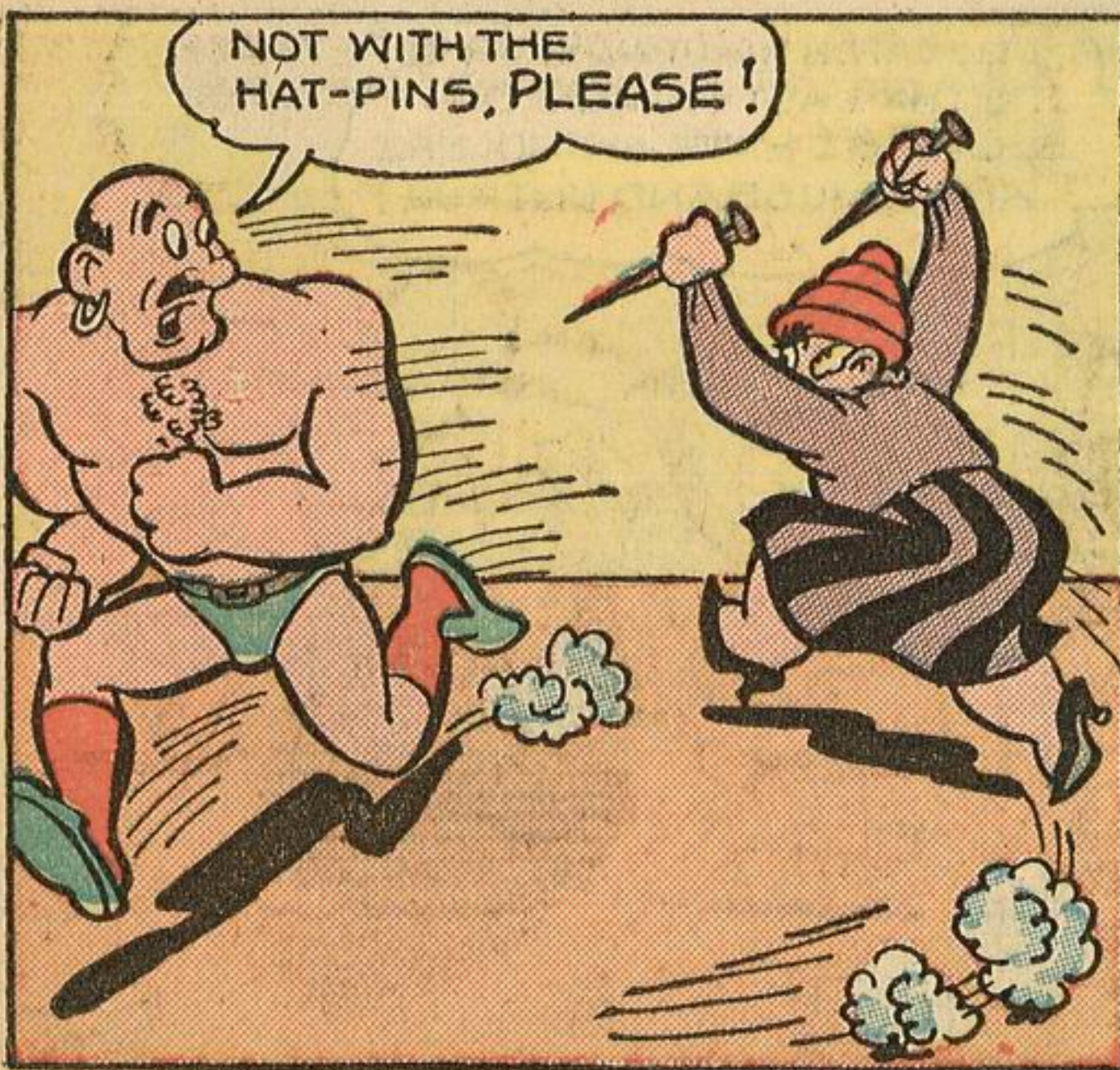
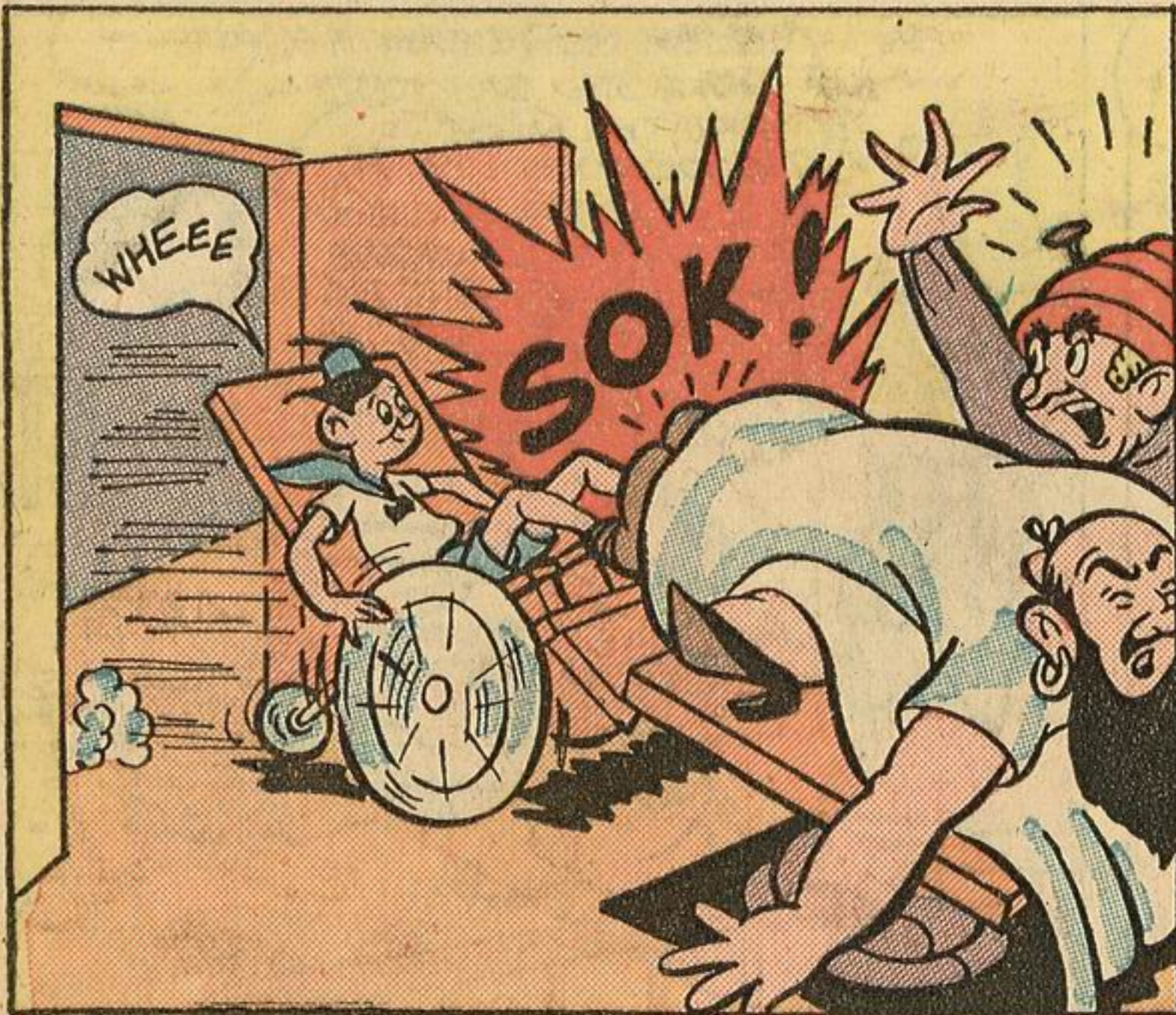
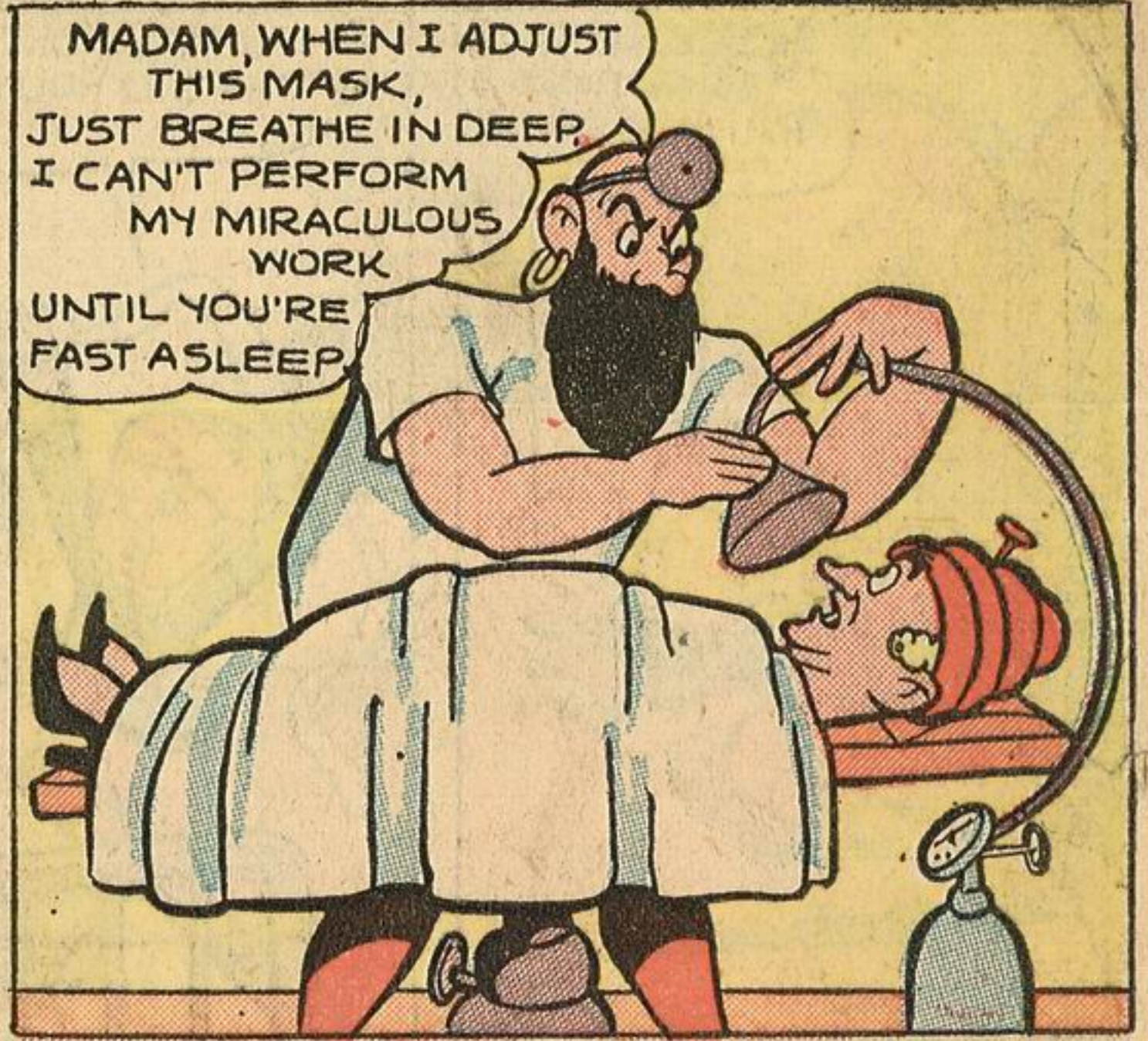
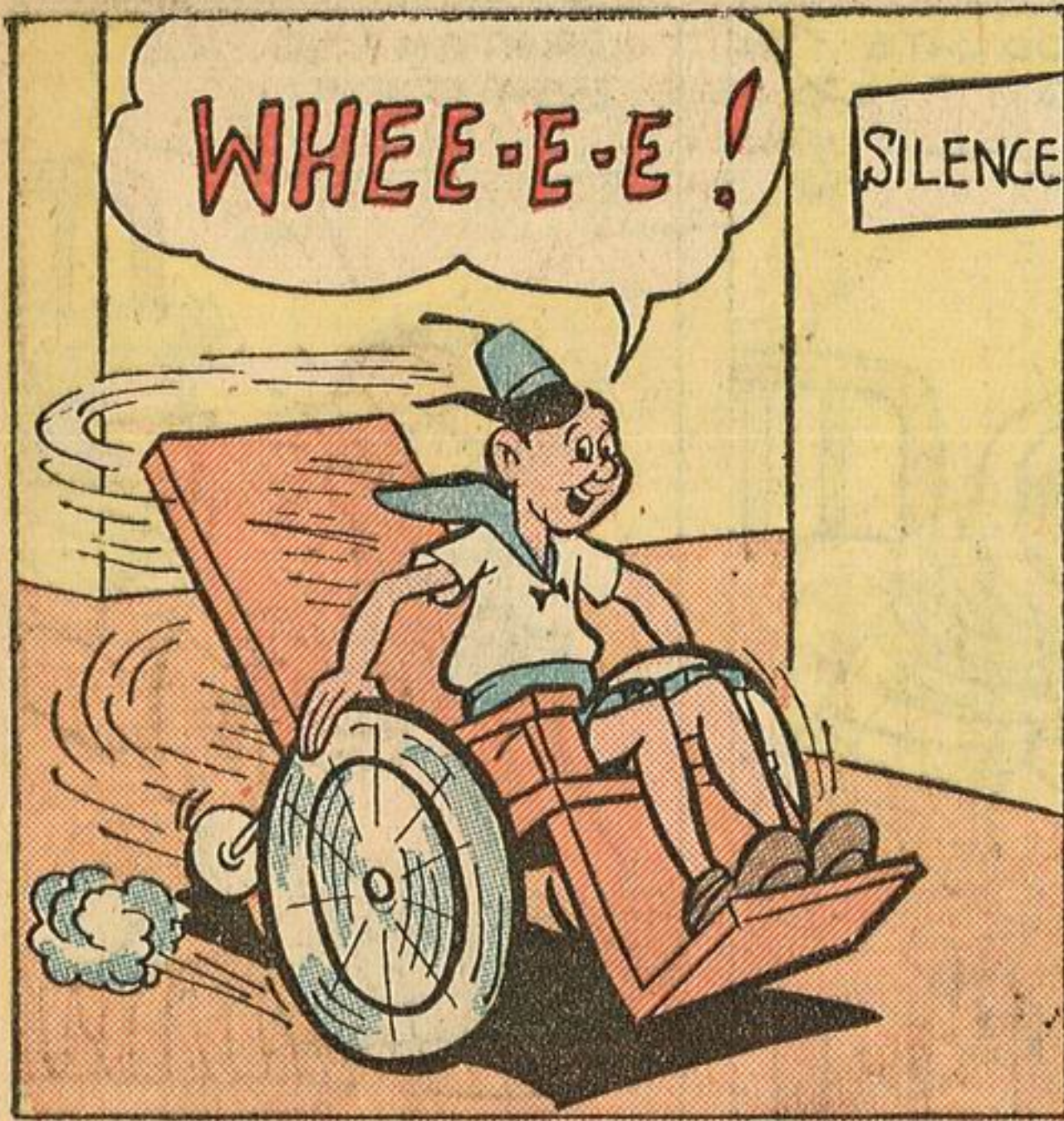
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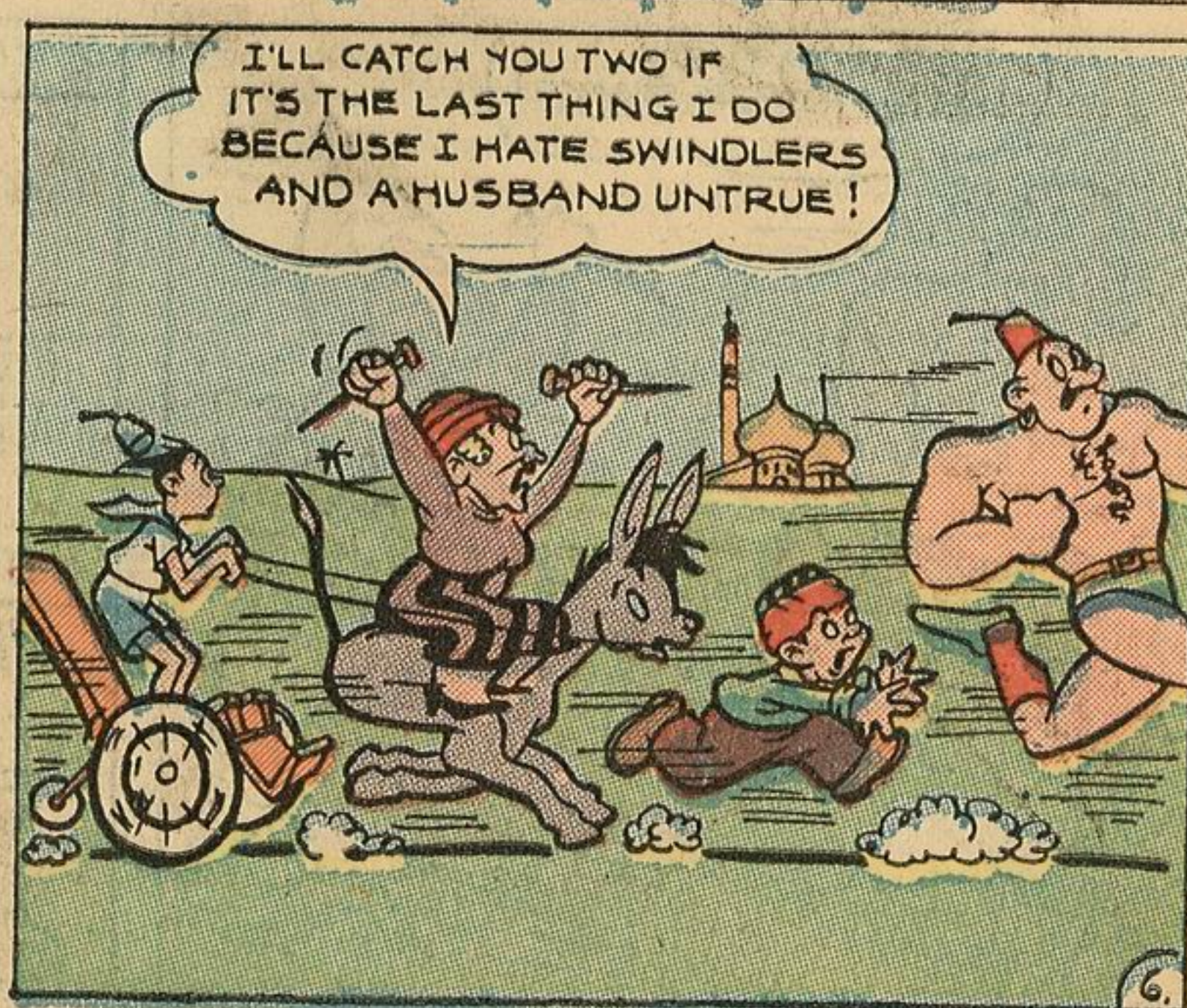
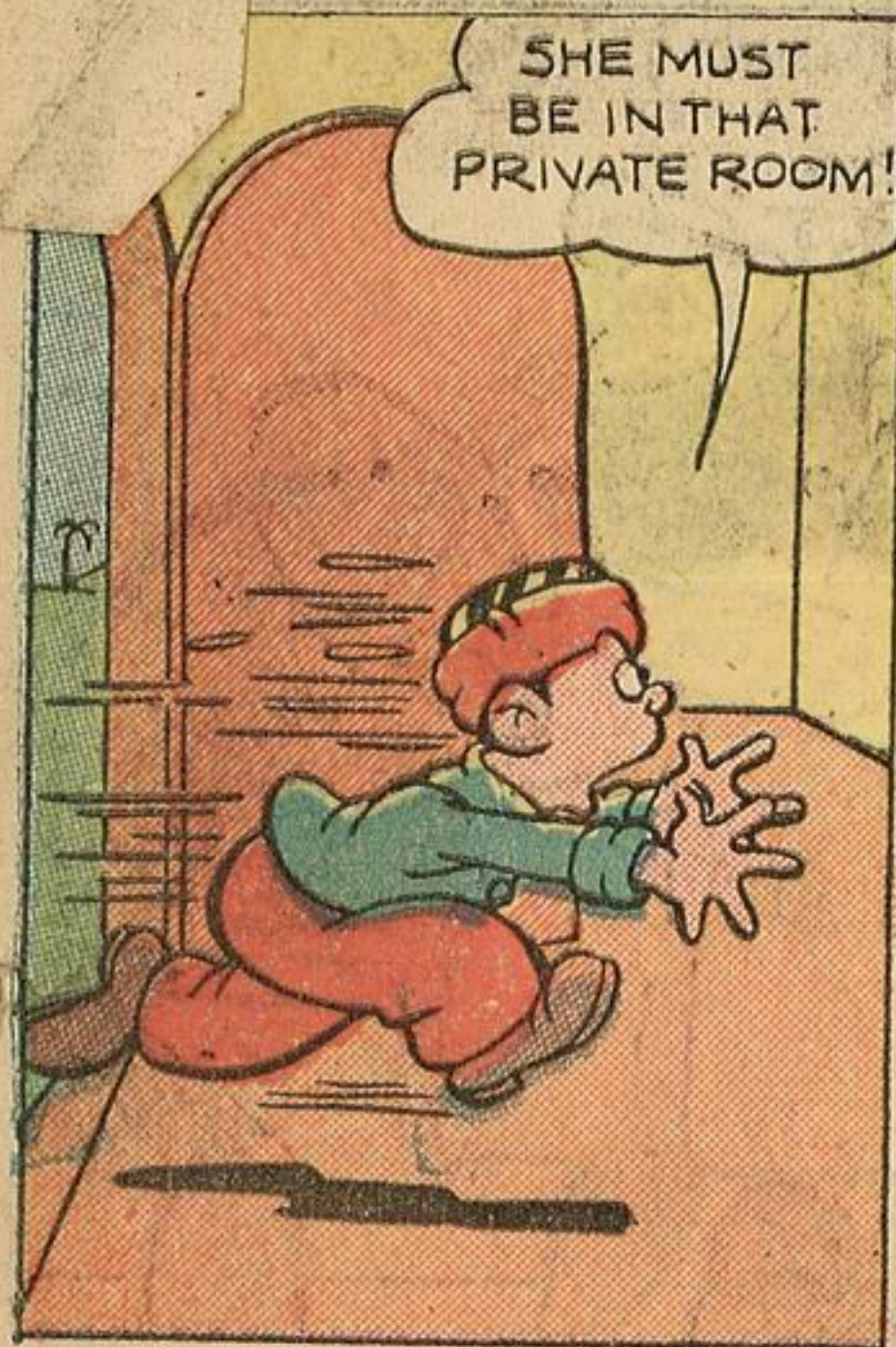






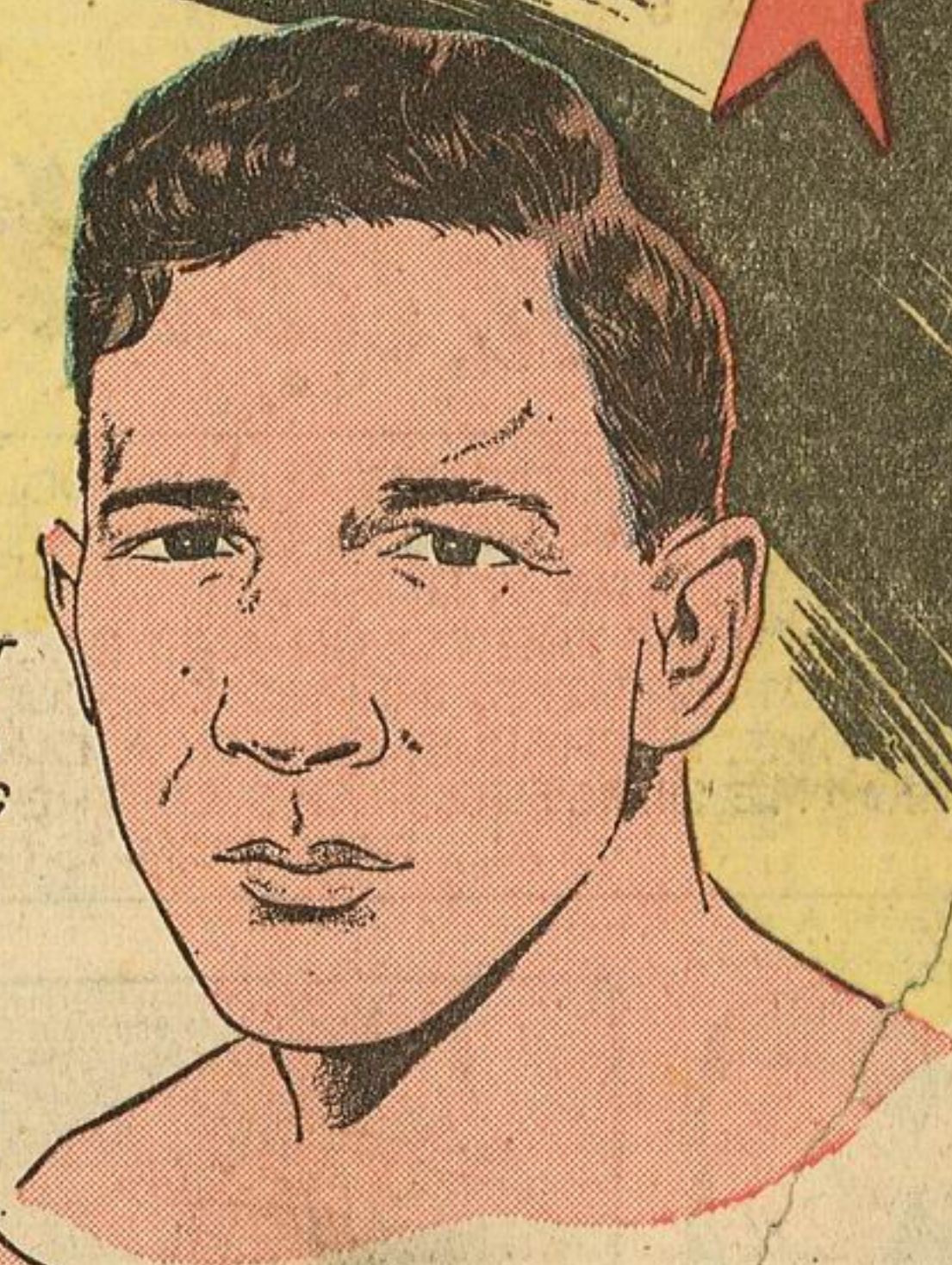




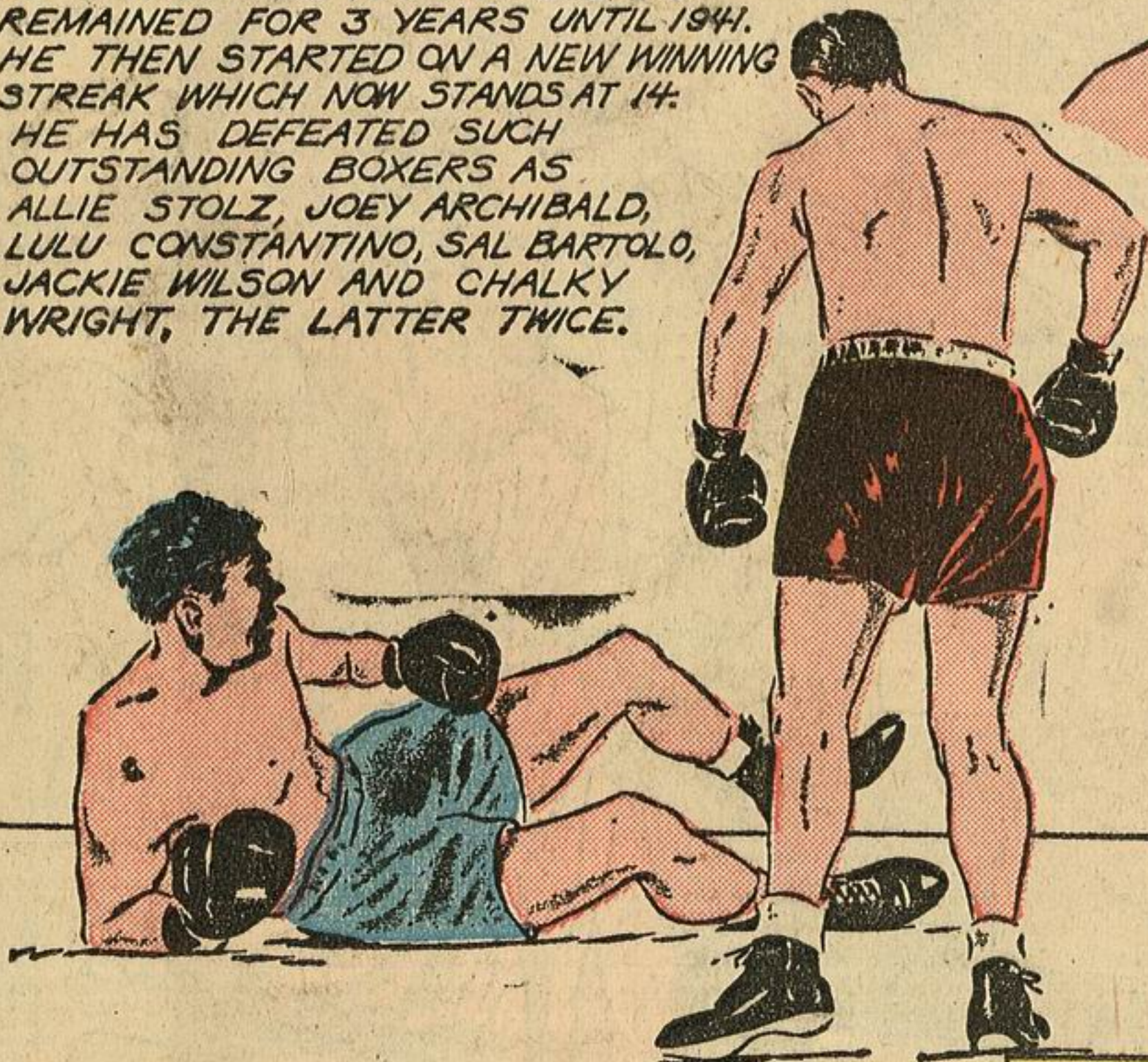


UNUSUAL SPORTS STARS

WILLIE PEP, THE HOLDER OF THE FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP, HAS MANY RECORDS TO HIS CREDIT. HIS 62 CONSECUTIVE VICTORIES IS UNPARALLELED IN THE RECORDS OF THE DIVISION. SINCE WINNING THE TITLE FROM SAL BARTOLO IN 1941, HE HAS PROVED SO SUPERIOR IN HIS CLASS THAT SUITABLE OPPONENTS HAVE BEEN HARD TO FIND. NOT LONG AFTER WINNING THE TITLE, HE JOINED THE NAVY WHERE HE REMAINED FOR 3 YEARS UNTIL 1941. HE THEN STARTED ON A NEW WINNING STREAK WHICH NOW STANDS AT 14. HE HAS DEFEATED SUCH OUTSTANDING BOXERS AS ALLIE STOLZ, JOEY ARCHIBALD, LULU CONSTANTINO, SAL BARTOLO, JACKIE WILSON AND CHALKY WRIGHT, THE LATTER TWICE.



WILLIE PEP



SLOSSENS

GEORGE SLOSSENS HAS MET ALL THE OUTSTANDING PRESENT-DAY GREATS INCLUDING HOPPE, PETERSON, CRANE AND MOSCONI SINCE HE PICKED UP A BILLIARD QUE AT THE AGE OF 18. TODAY, AT 90, THE SEVERAL TIMES NATIONAL BILLIARD CHAMPION, STILL PLAYS A FINE GAME DAILY.



Inspector **HUNT**

SOLVES
"death at the racetrack"

WHEN RACKETEERS AND HOODLIMS MOVE IN ON RACING, IT'S A HUNDRED TO ONE SHOT THAT DEATH WILL RIDE THE WINNER.

AMONGST THE COLOR AND BACKGROUND OF THE KING OF SPORTS, INSPECTOR CLICK HUNT, ACE DETECTIVE, IS CHALLENGED BY A DIABOLICAL MURDER AND THE SINISTER PLOTS OF THE NOTORIOUS CRIMINAL, FATS KORPIS!

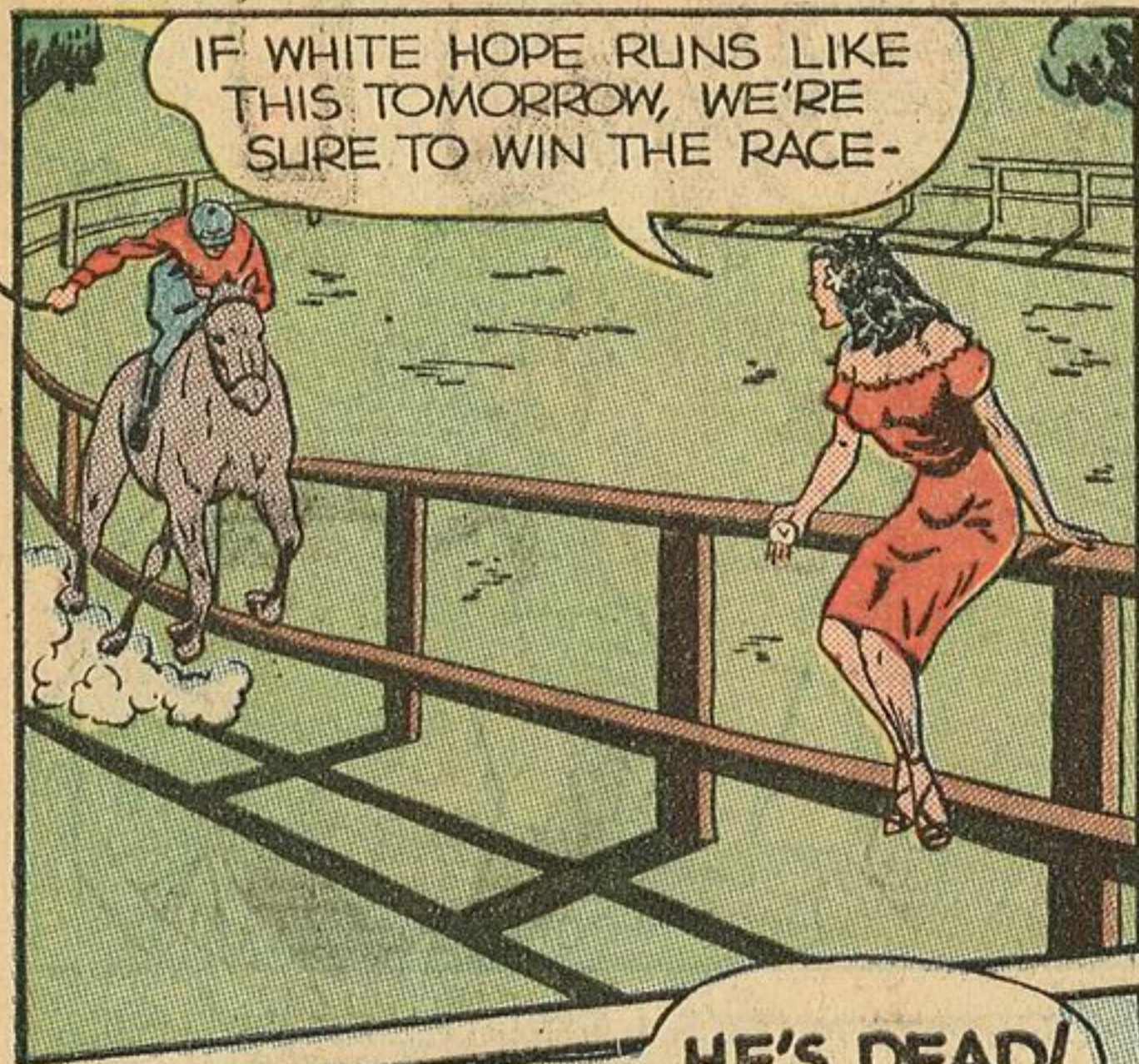


Click Hunt

Arizona Lee



AT THE RACE TRACK, ARIZONA'S HORSE, "WHITE HOPE," IS GIVEN A TRIAL RUN....



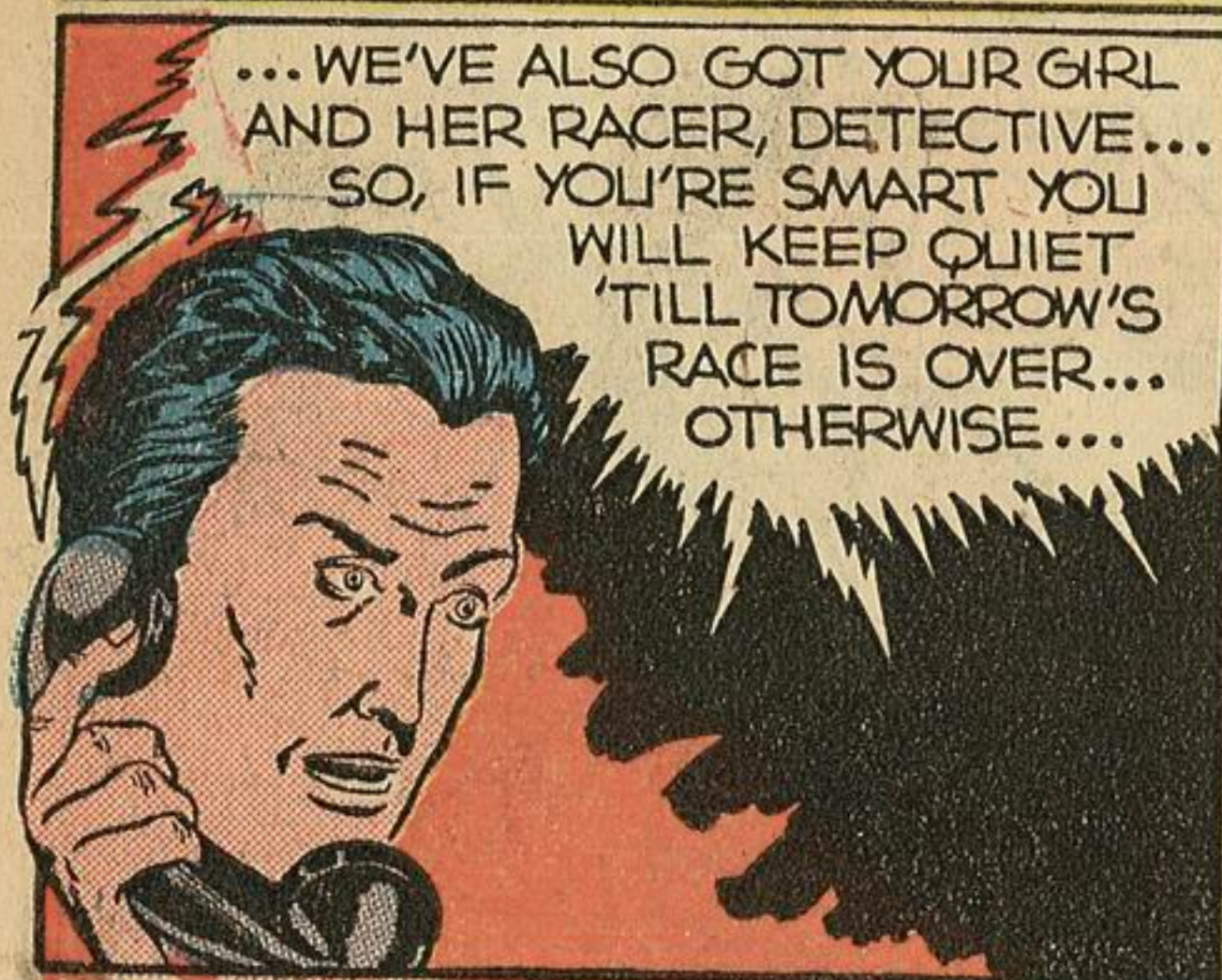
FEARING FOUL PLAY TO "WHITE HOPE," ARIZONA TAKES HIM WITH HER....



AS THE CAR APPROACHES THE BEND....



A SHORT WHILE LATER, AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS, INSPECTOR CLICK HUNT RECEIVES A MYSTERIOUS PHONE CALL....



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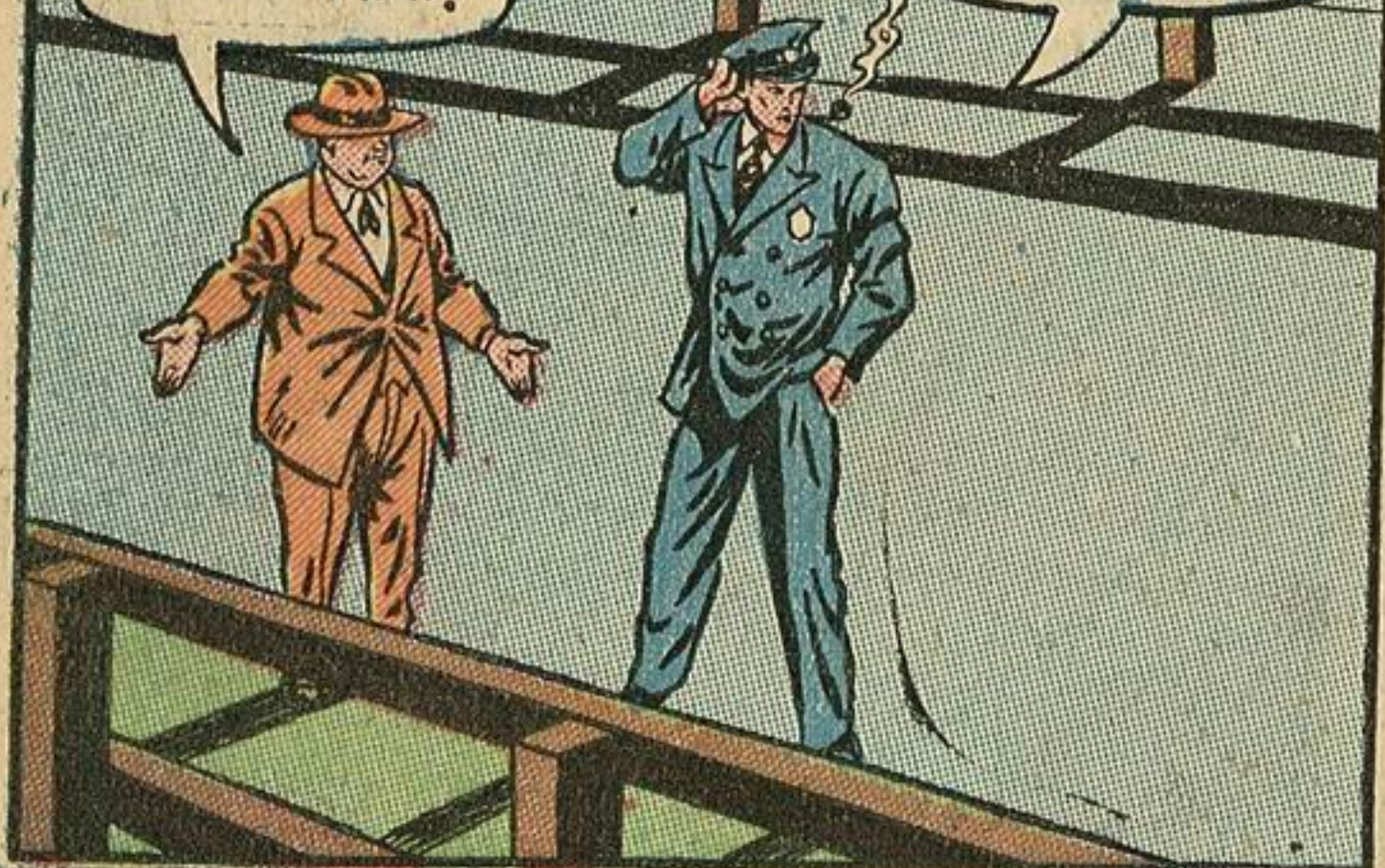
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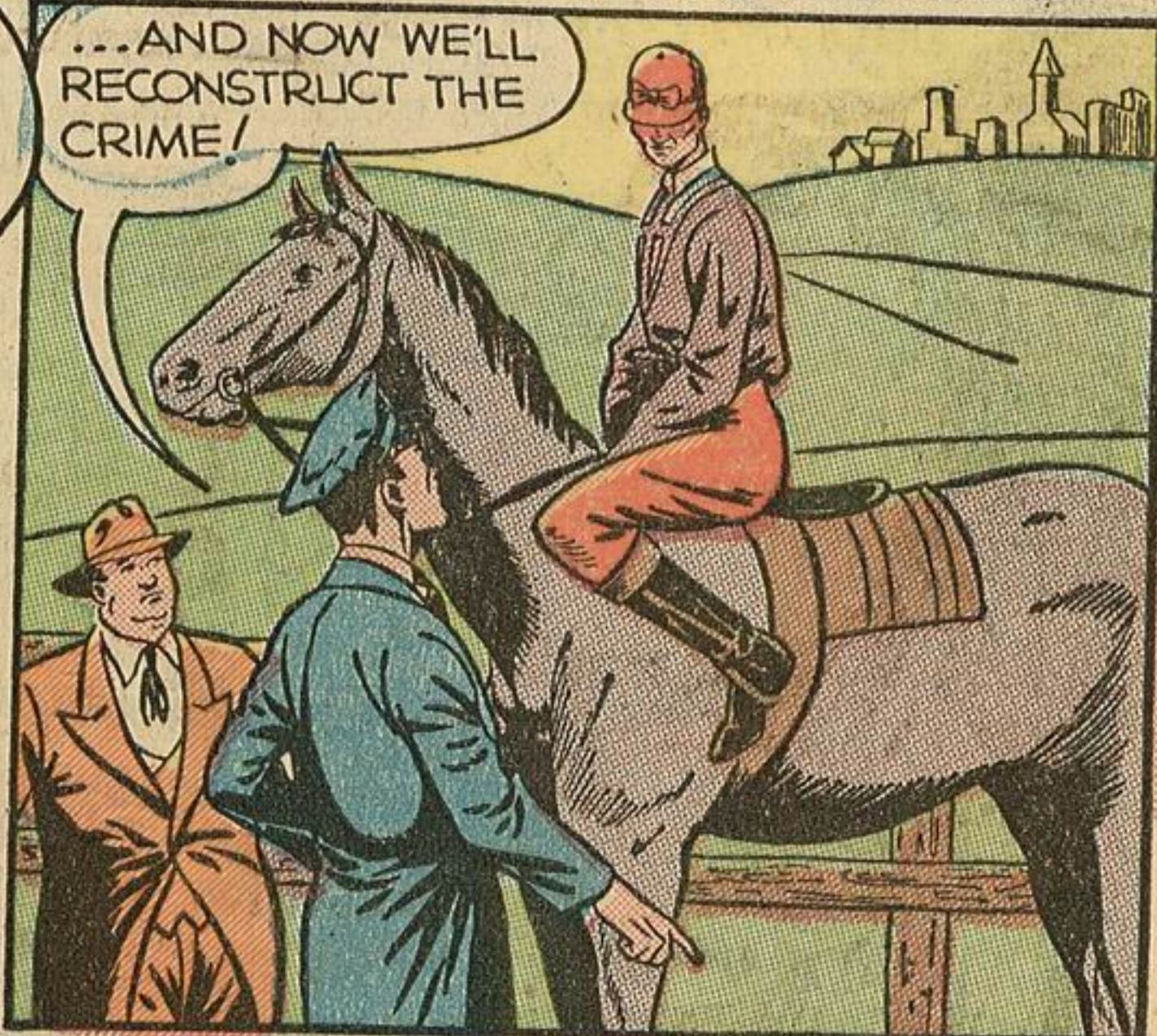
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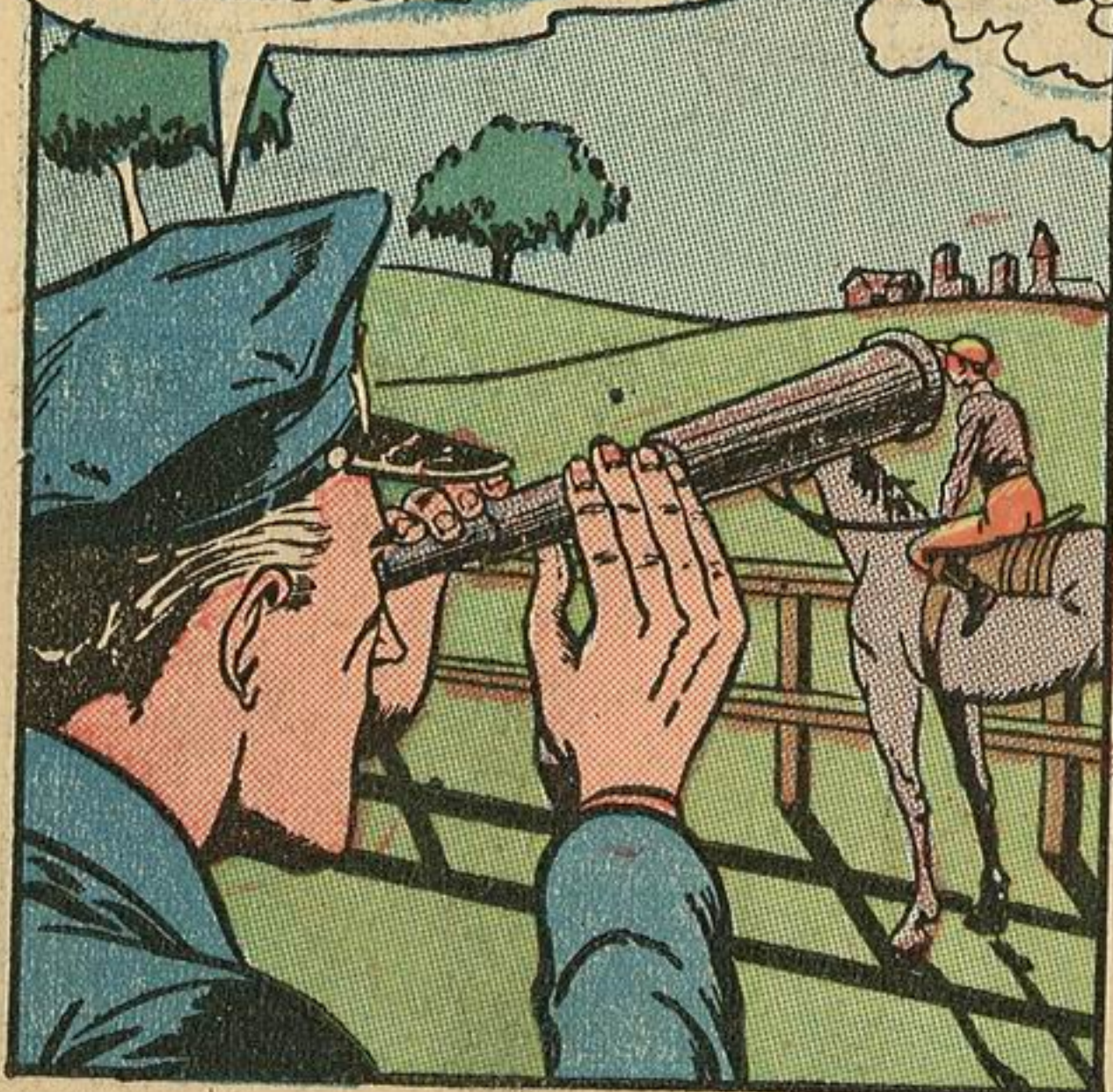


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...AND NOW WE'LL RECONSTRUCT THE CRIME!

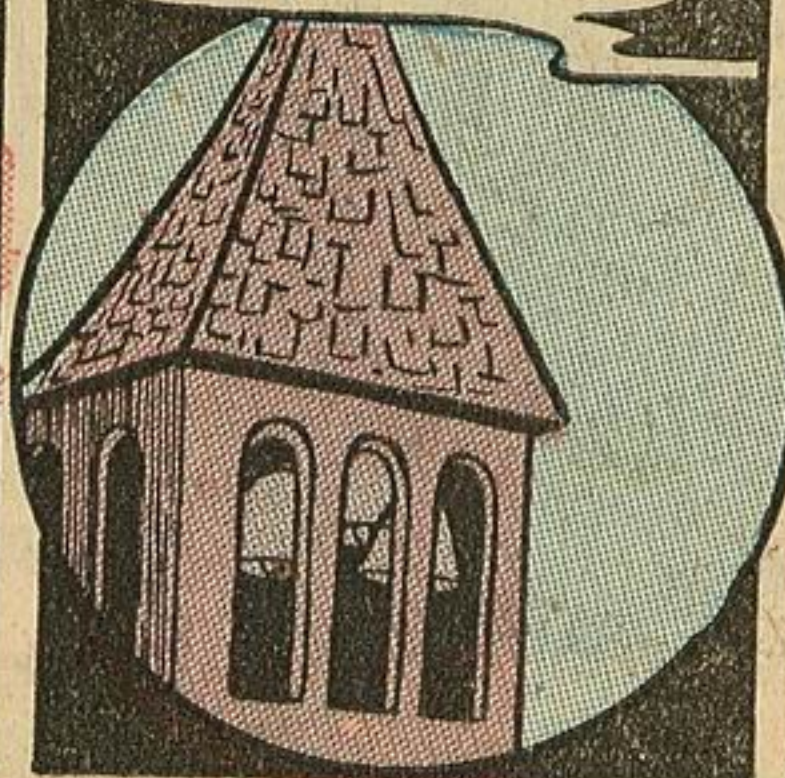


BUT, INSTEAD OF SHOOTING OUR JOKEY, WE'LL USE A TELESCOPE -



HAVING THE JOCKEY DISMOUNT, CLICK PEERS THROUGH THE TELESCOPE, AND SEES....

TAKE A LOOK, COMMISSIONER, YOU'LL FIND THIS INTERESTING....



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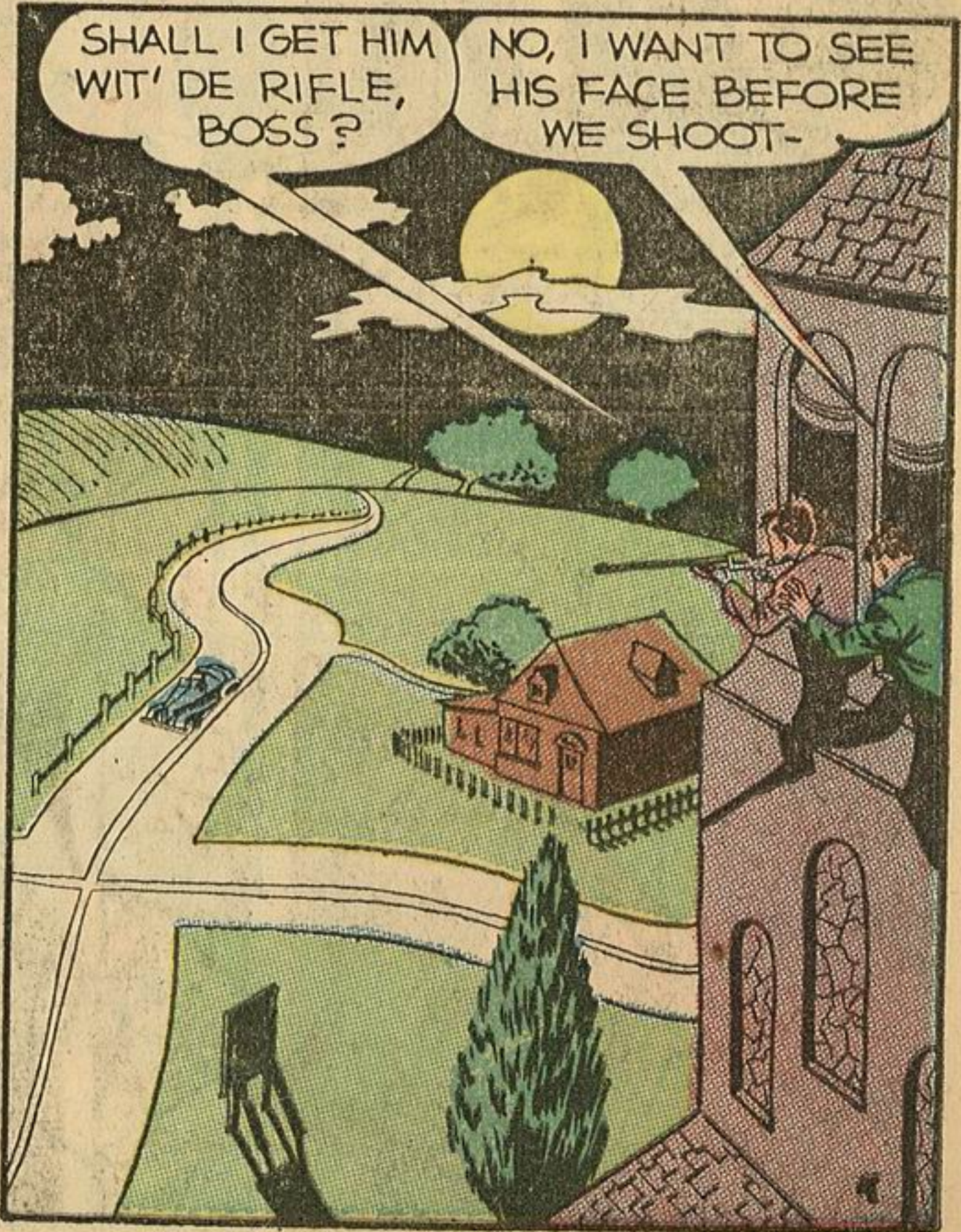
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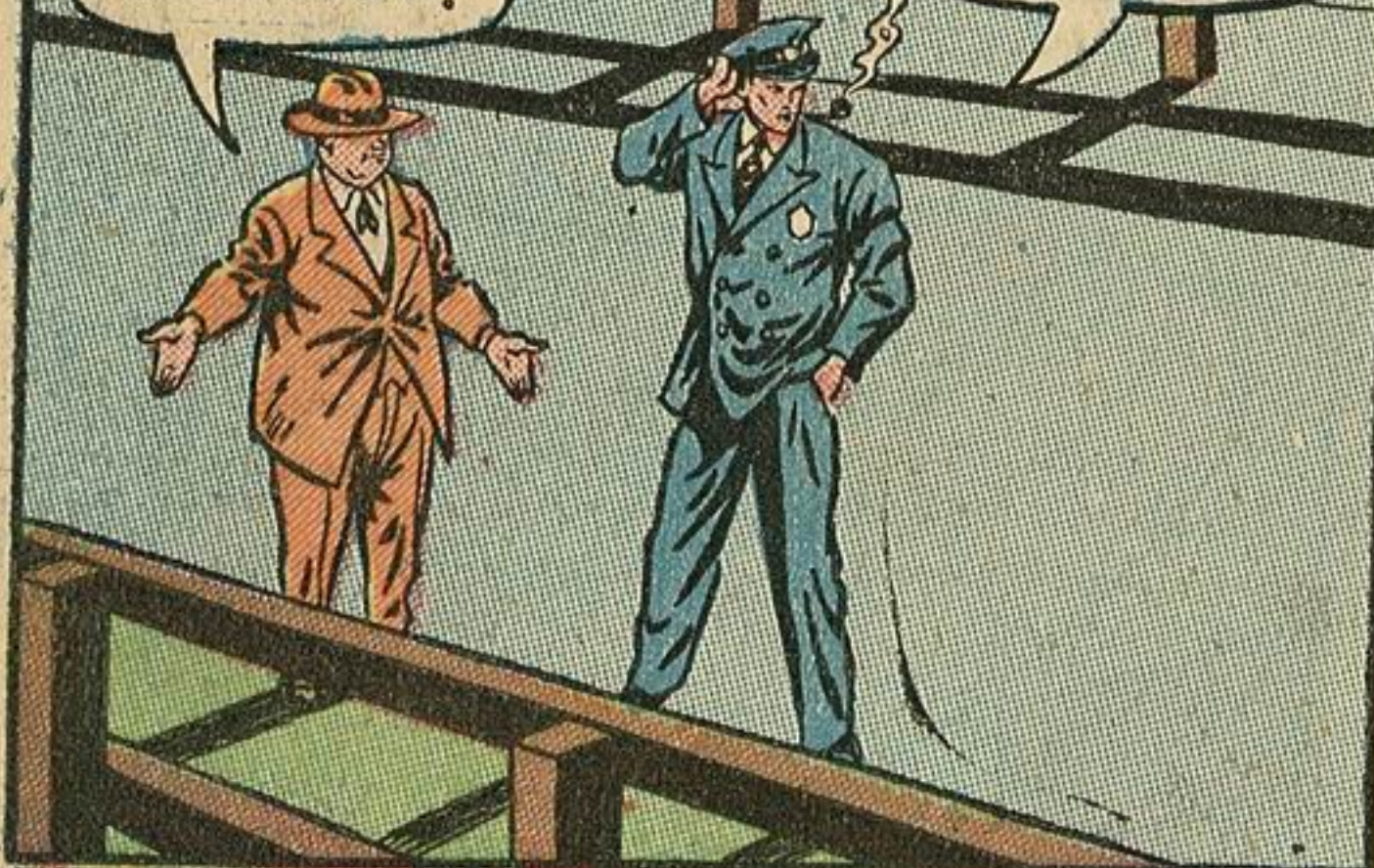
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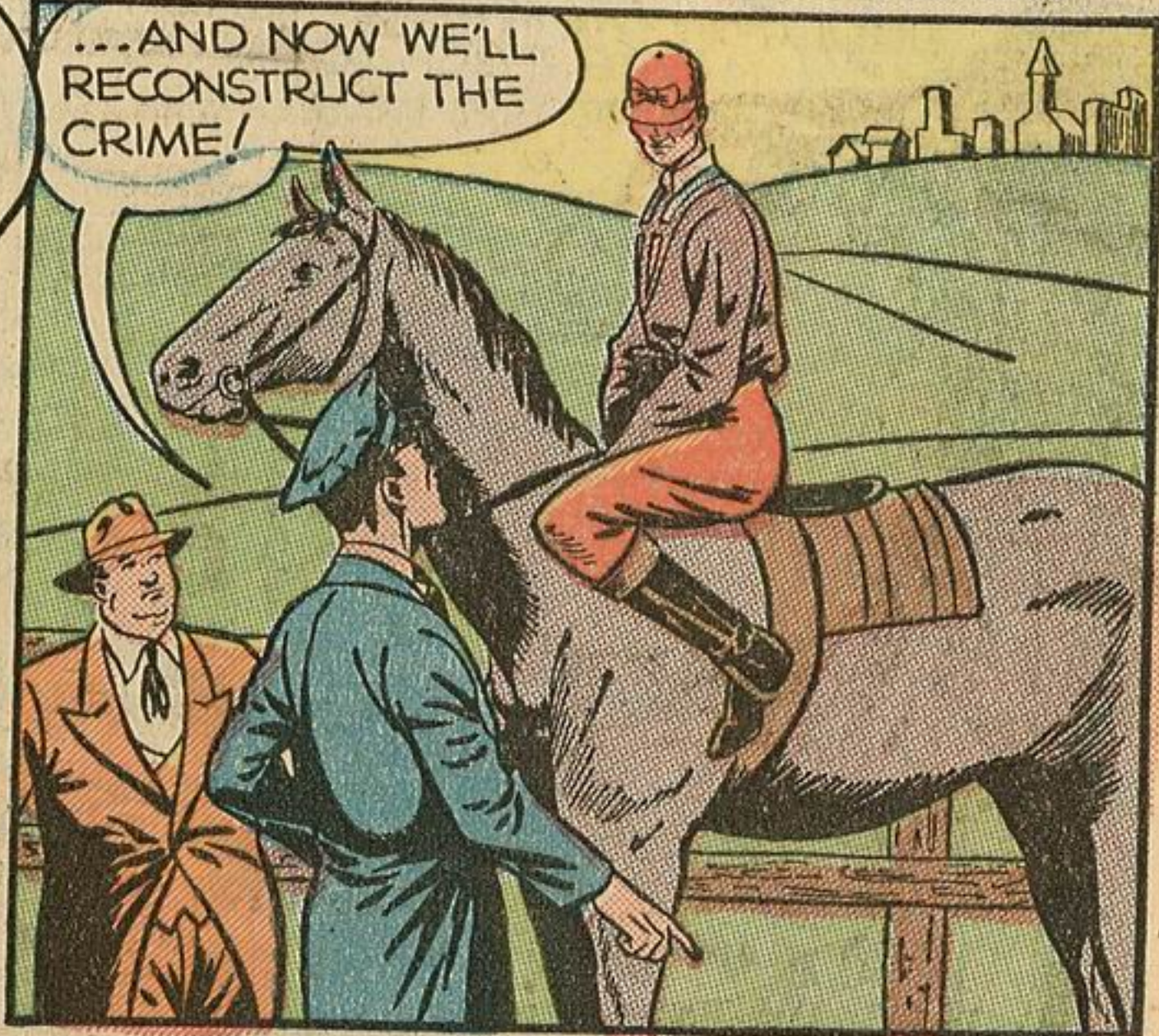
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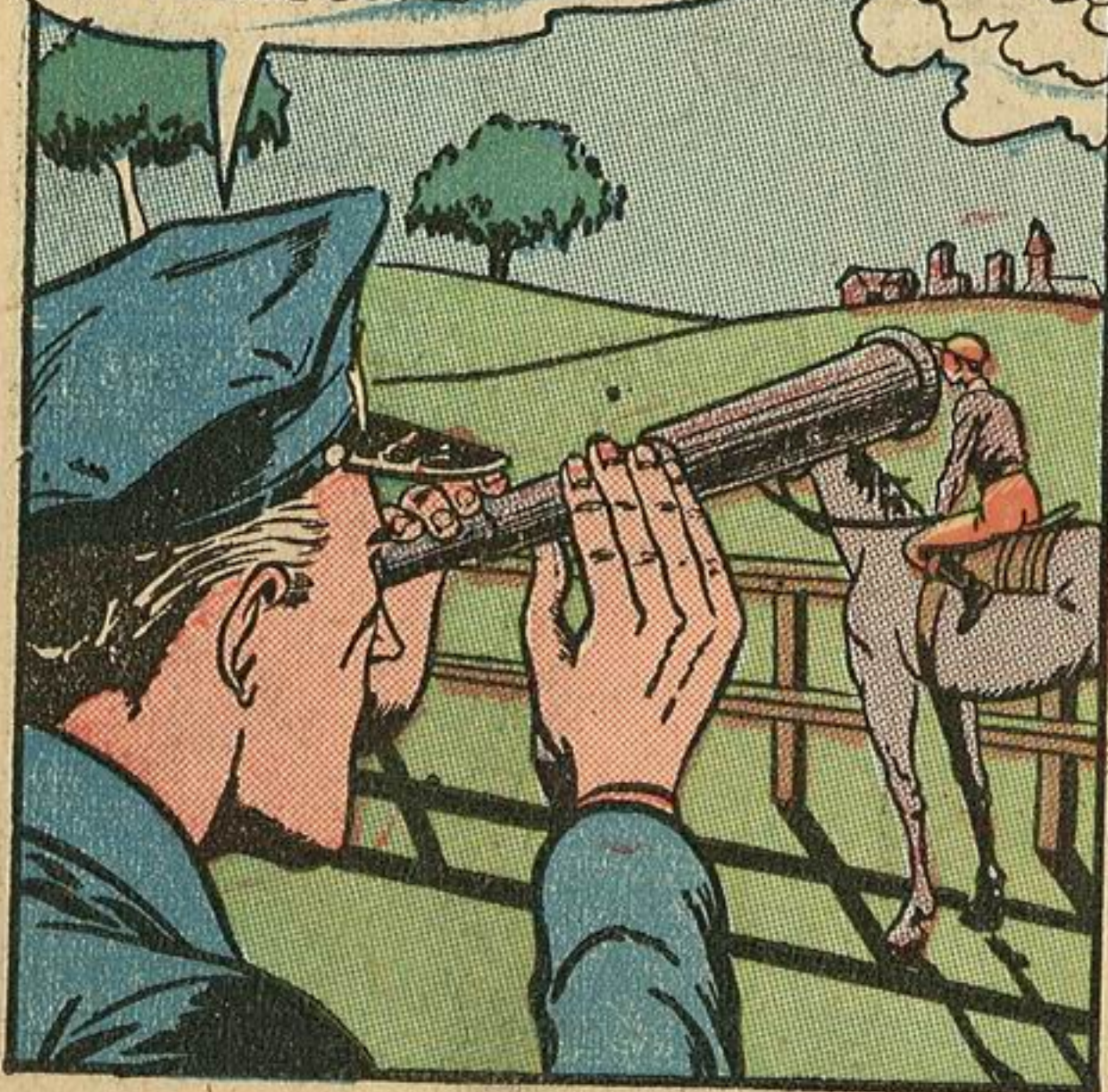


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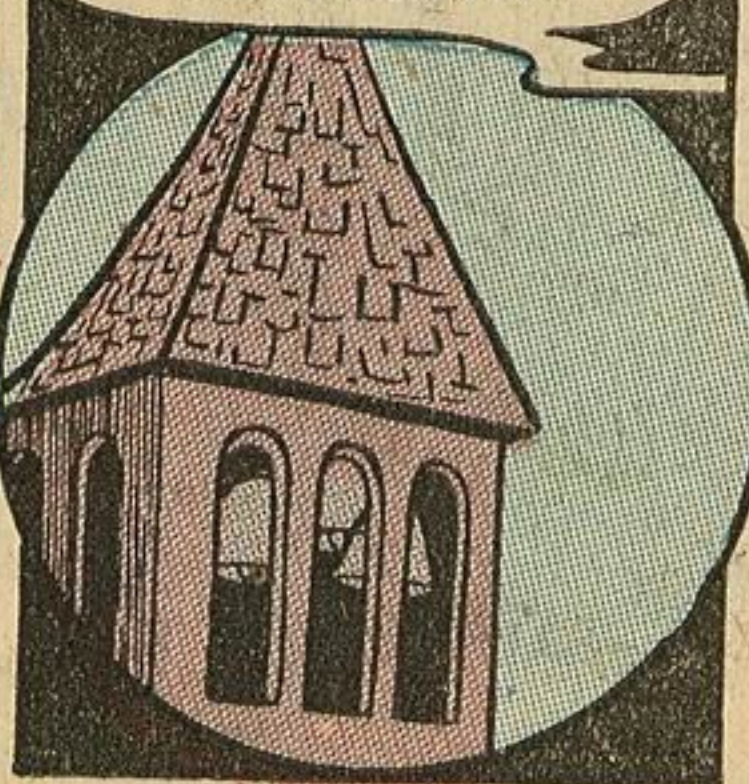


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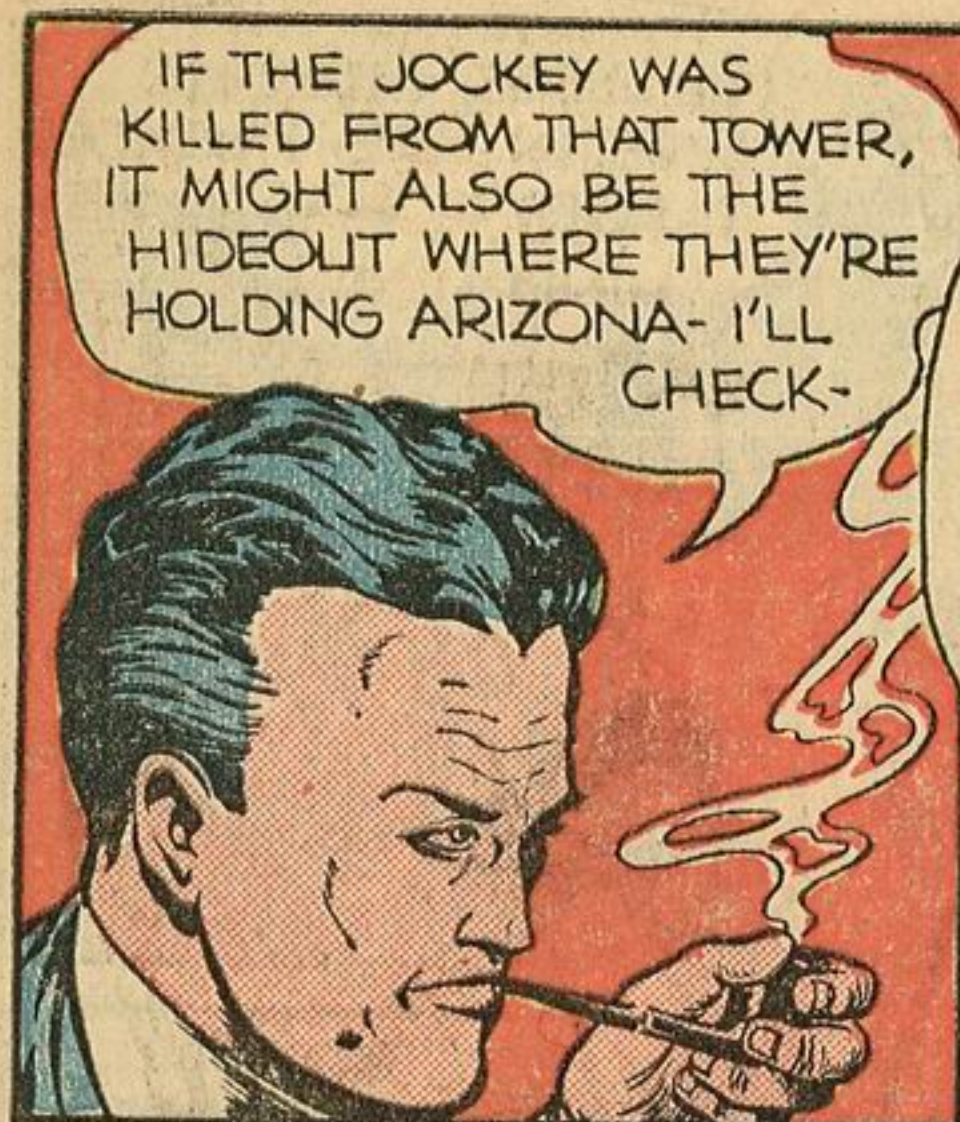
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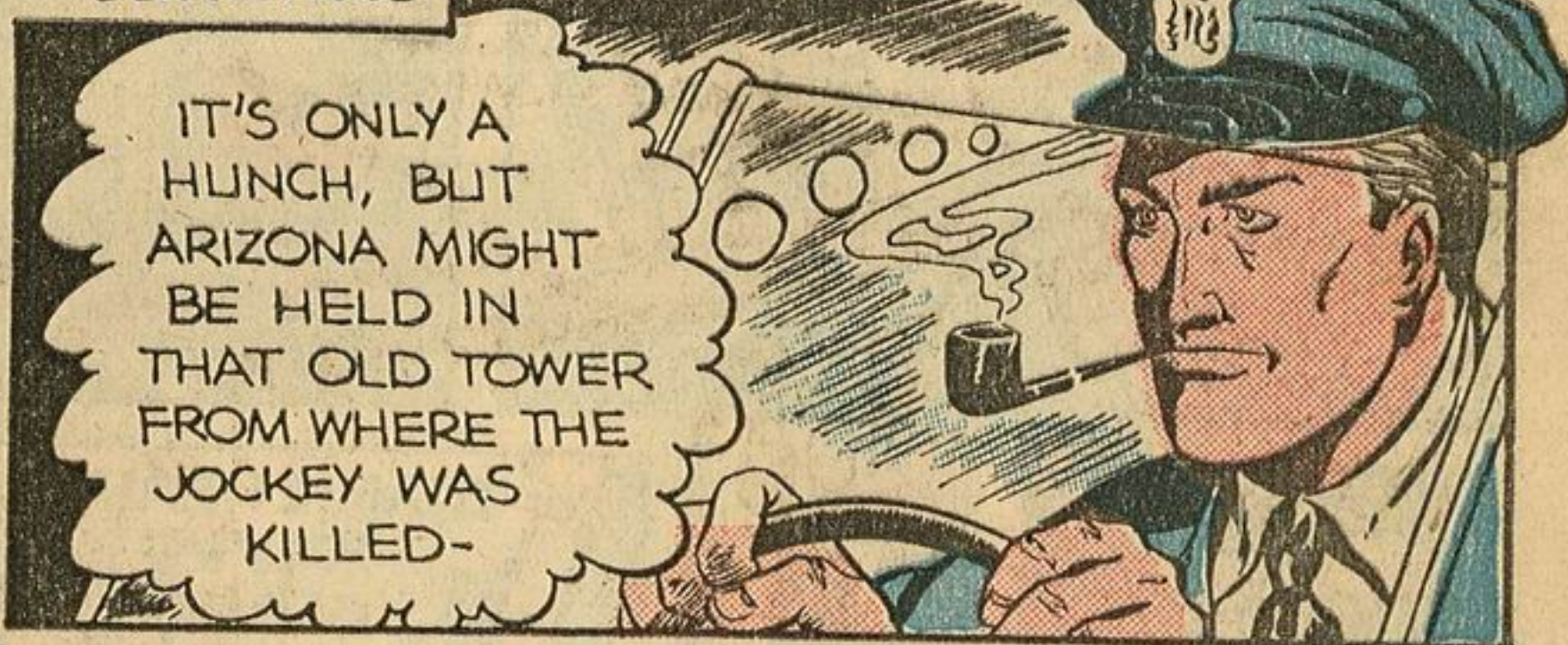


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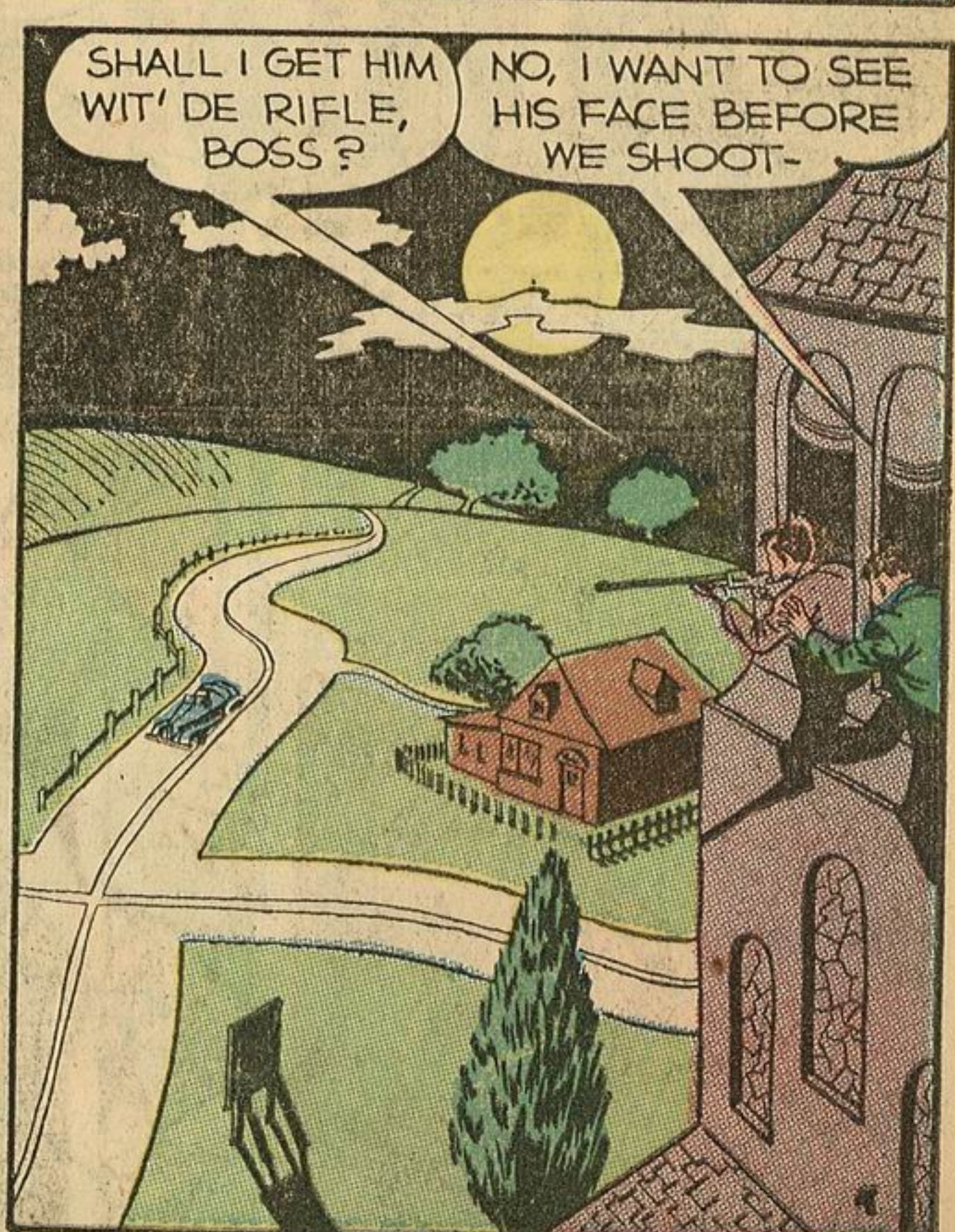


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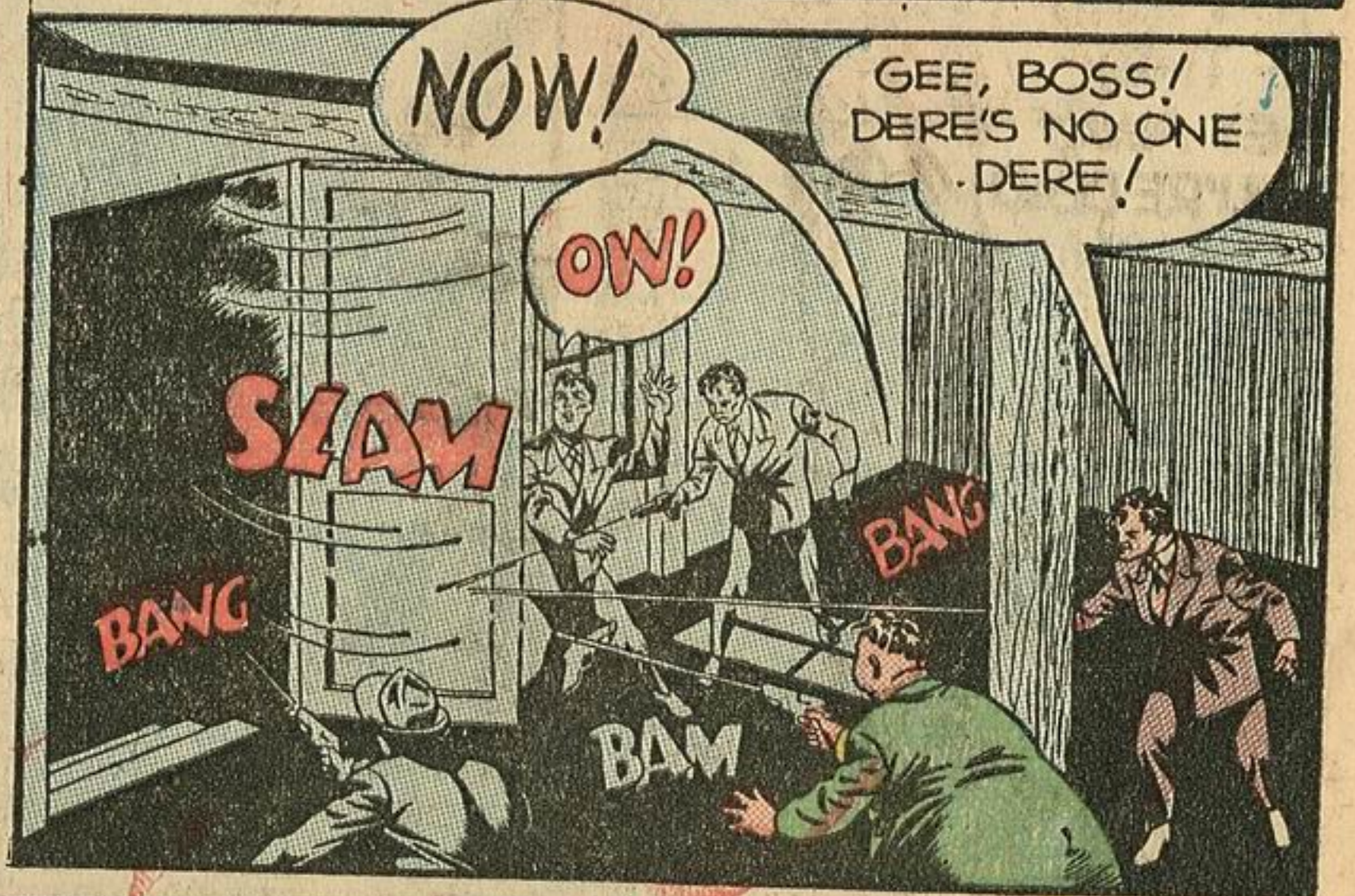


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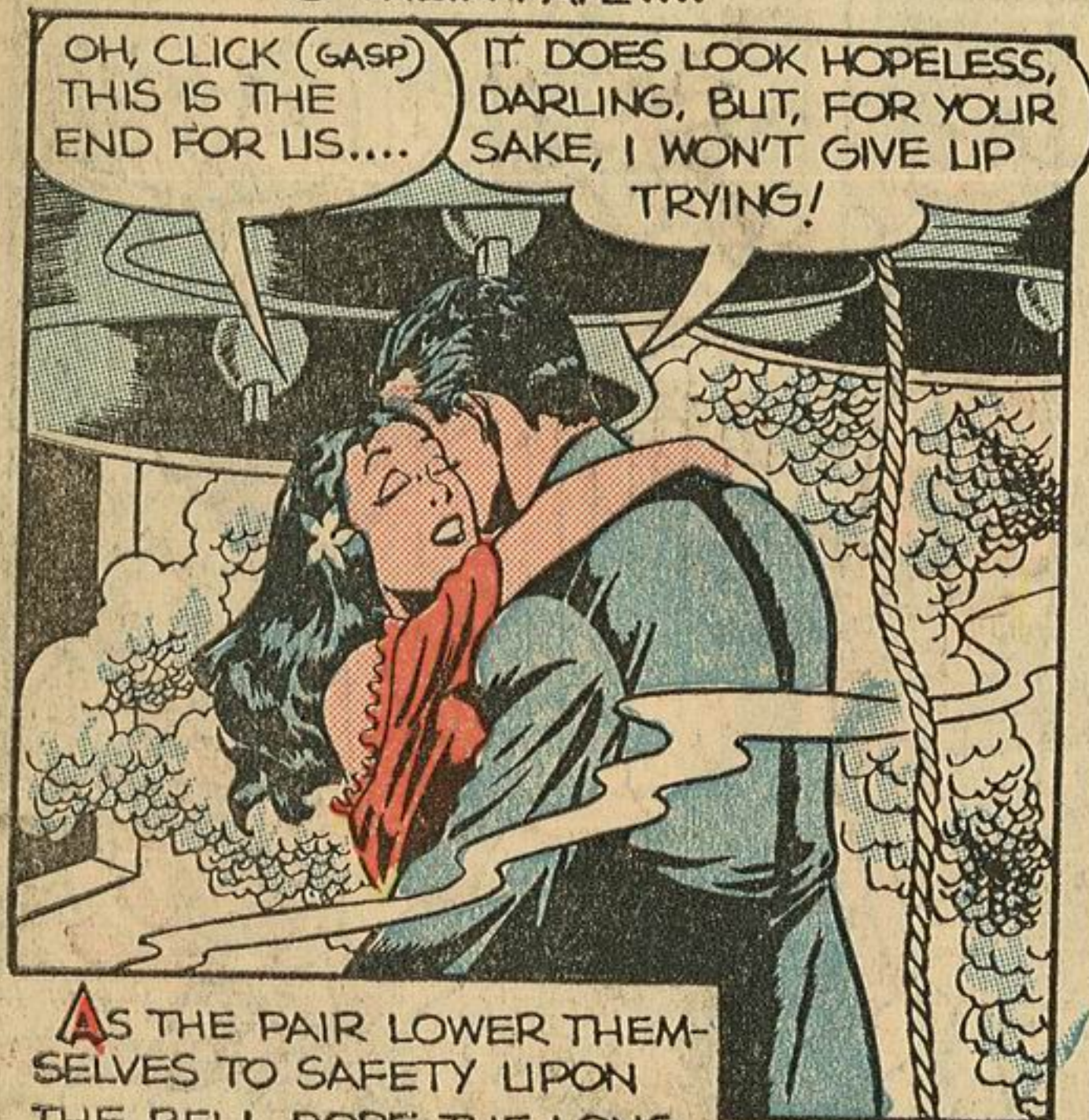




BUT AS THEY PREPARE TO LEAVE BY THE WINDOW... THEY FACE A TORRENT OF STREAMING LEAD!



ROCK AND HIS THUGS MAKE THEIR GET-AWAY.... LEAVING CLICK AND ARIZONA TO THEIR FATE....



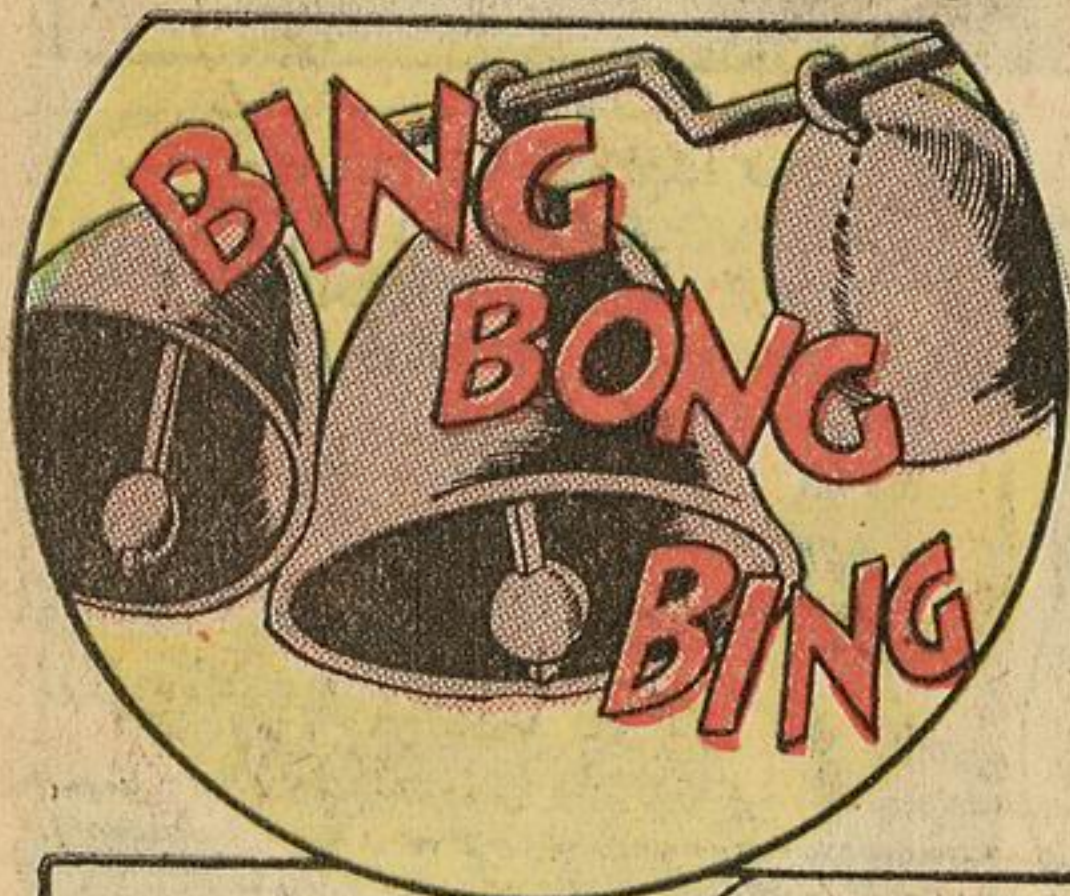
OH, CLICK (GASP) THIS IS THE END FOR US....

IT DOES LOOK HOPELESS, DARLING, BUT, FOR YOUR SAKE, I WON'T GIVE UP TRYING!



GET A GOOD (GASP) GRIP NOW- THIS MAY BRING US HELP!

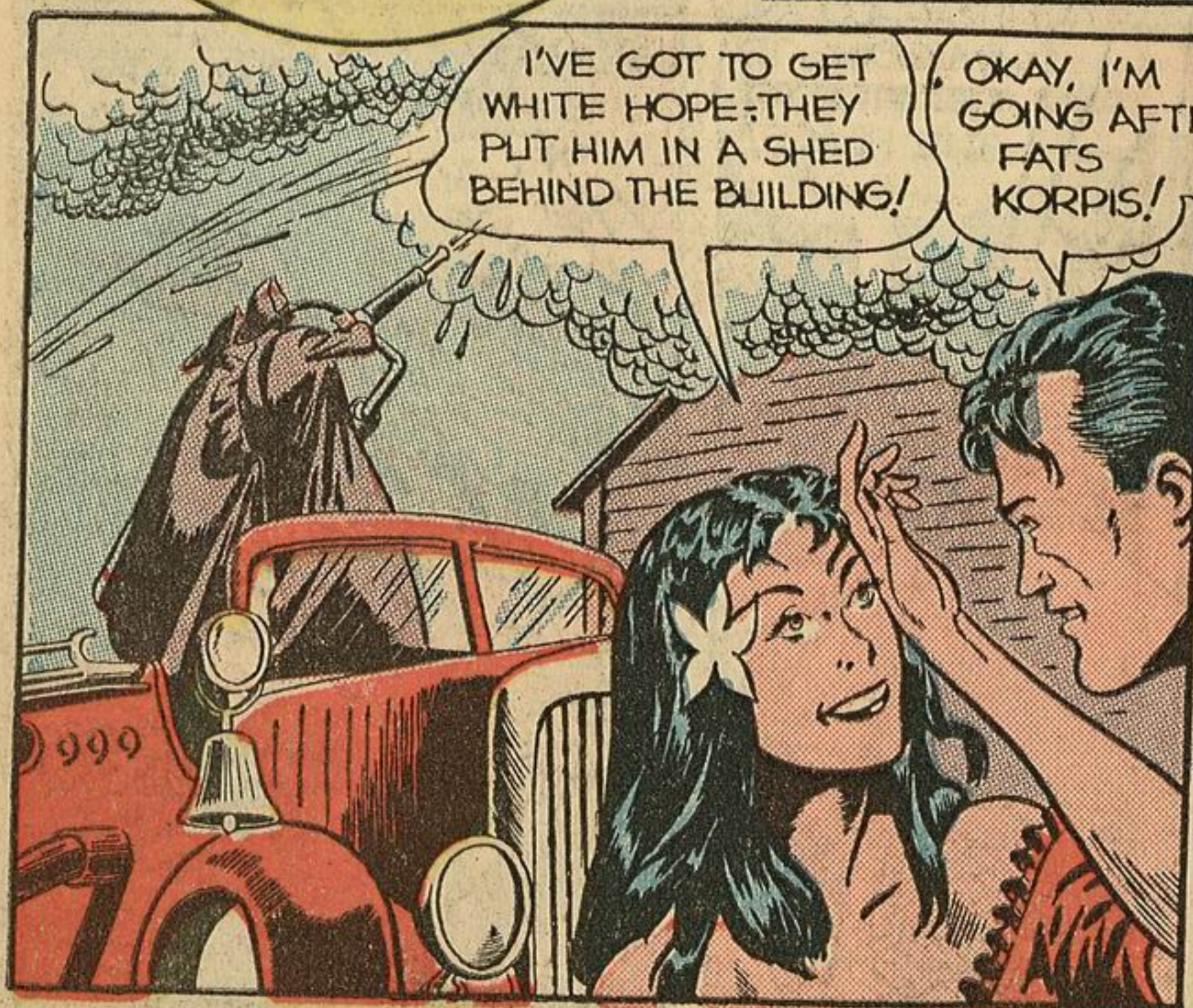
AS THE PAIR LOWER THEMSELVES TO SAFETY UPON THE BELL ROPE, THE LONG SILENCED BELLS ARE SET INTO MOTION-



THE OLD STEEPLE-BELLS ARE RING-ING AND THE PLACE IS ON FIRE!



CALL THE FIRE DEPARTMENT!



I'VE GOT TO GET WHITE HOPE- THEY PUT HIM IN A SHED BEHIND THE BUILDING!

OKAY, I'M GOING AFTER FATS KORPIS!

YOU'RE SURE SMART, FATS! NOW, WE DON'T HAVE DAT DICK TO WORRY ABOUT!

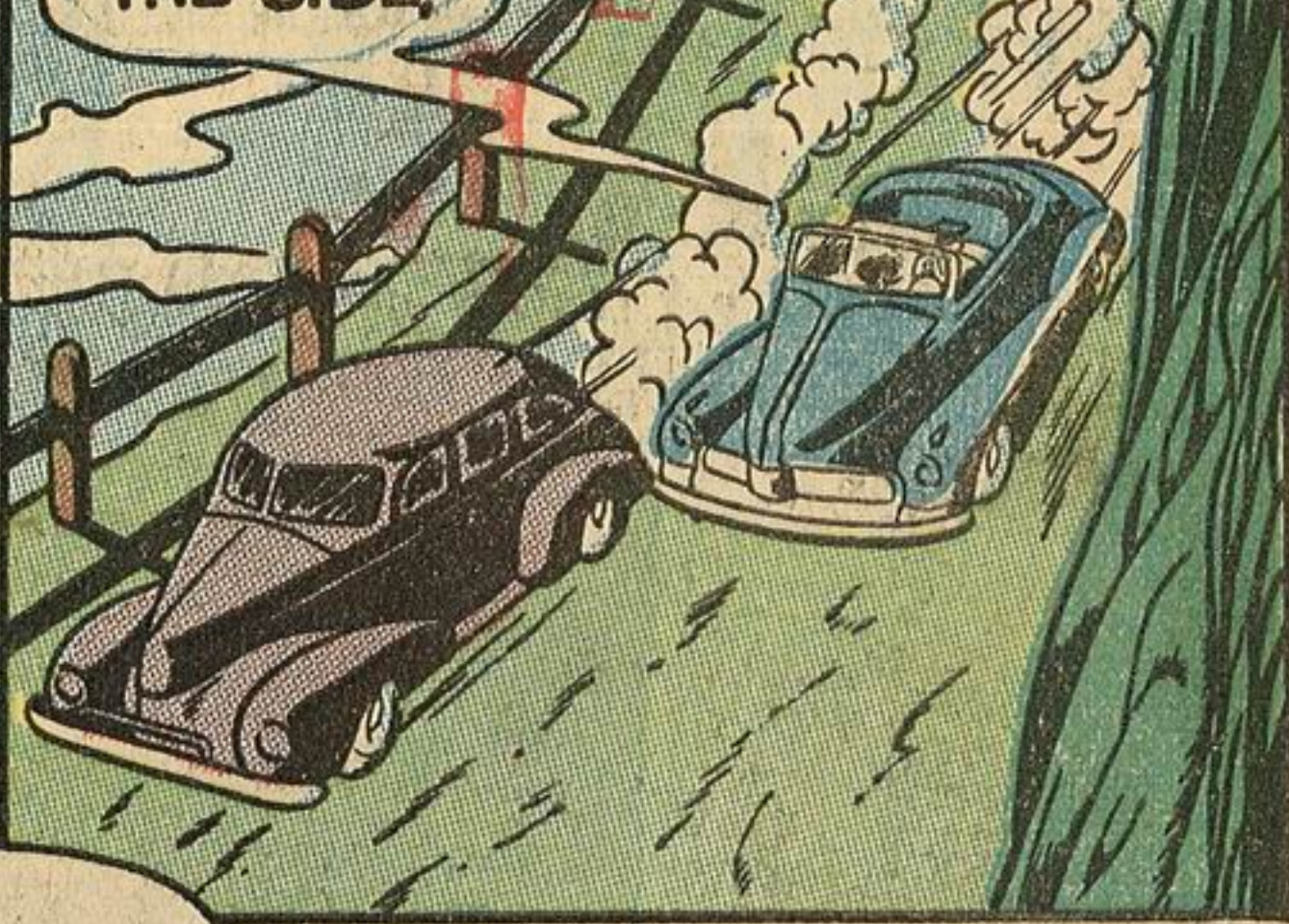
YUP, AND WITH THE DOUGH FROM TOMORROW'S RACE, WE'LL BE ON EASY STREET!



Suddenly

CURSED LUCK!
WE'RE BEING TAILED!

THE JIGS UP, FATS!
PULL OVER TO
THE SIDE!



YOU HAVEN'T
GOT ME YET,
COPPER!



YEOW



WELL, I GUESS THAT
TAKES CARE OF
THOSE MOBSTERS!

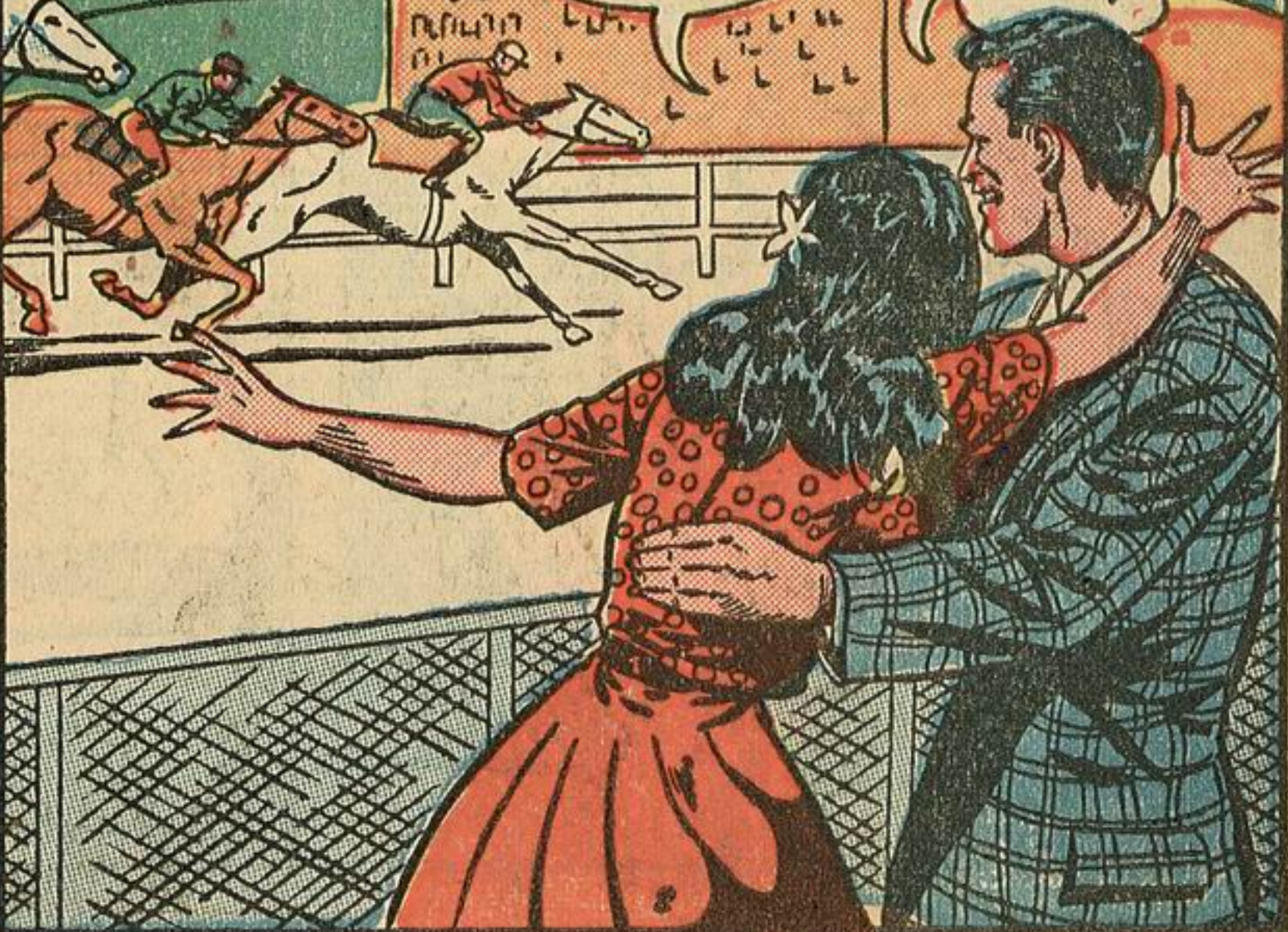


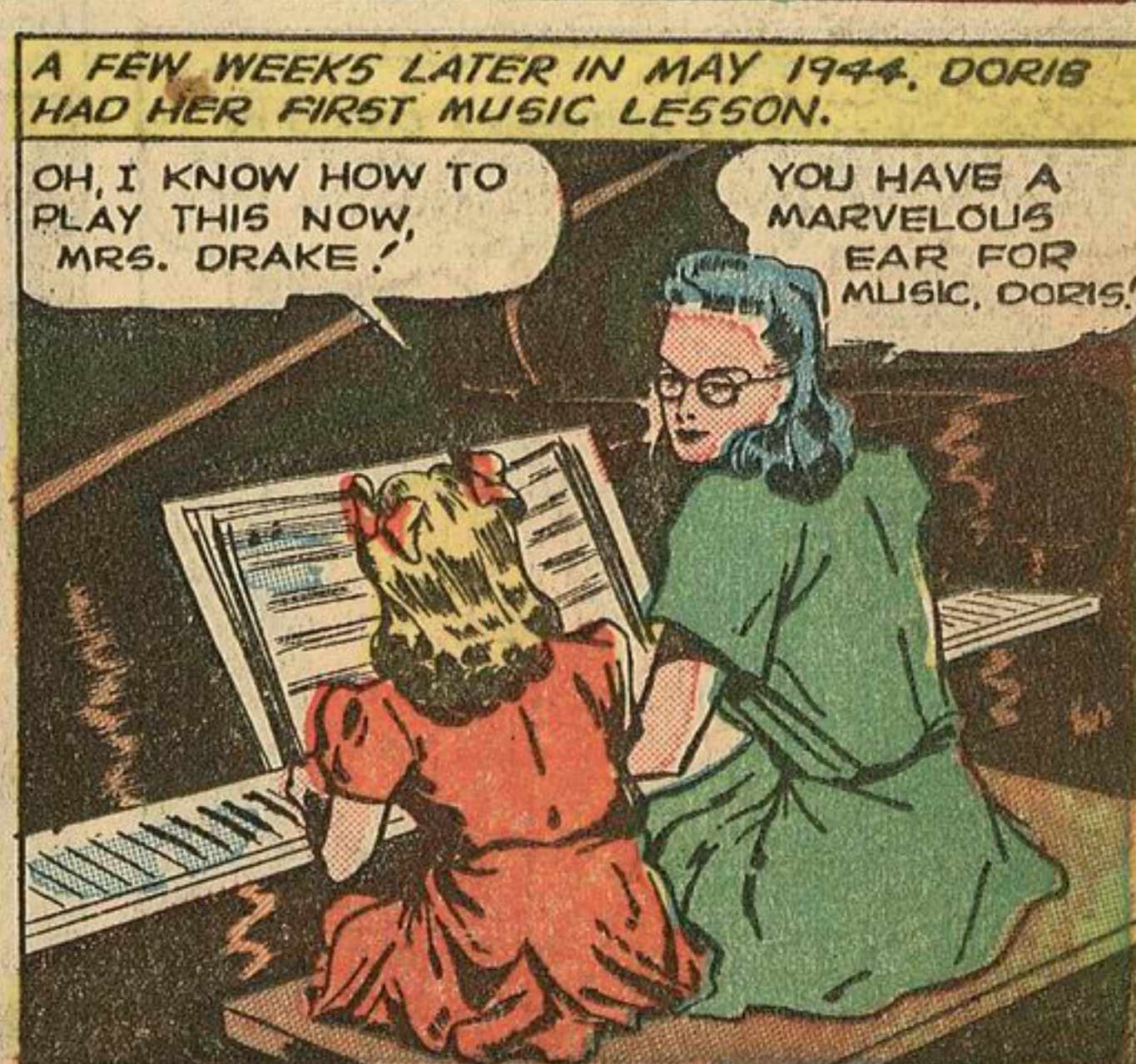
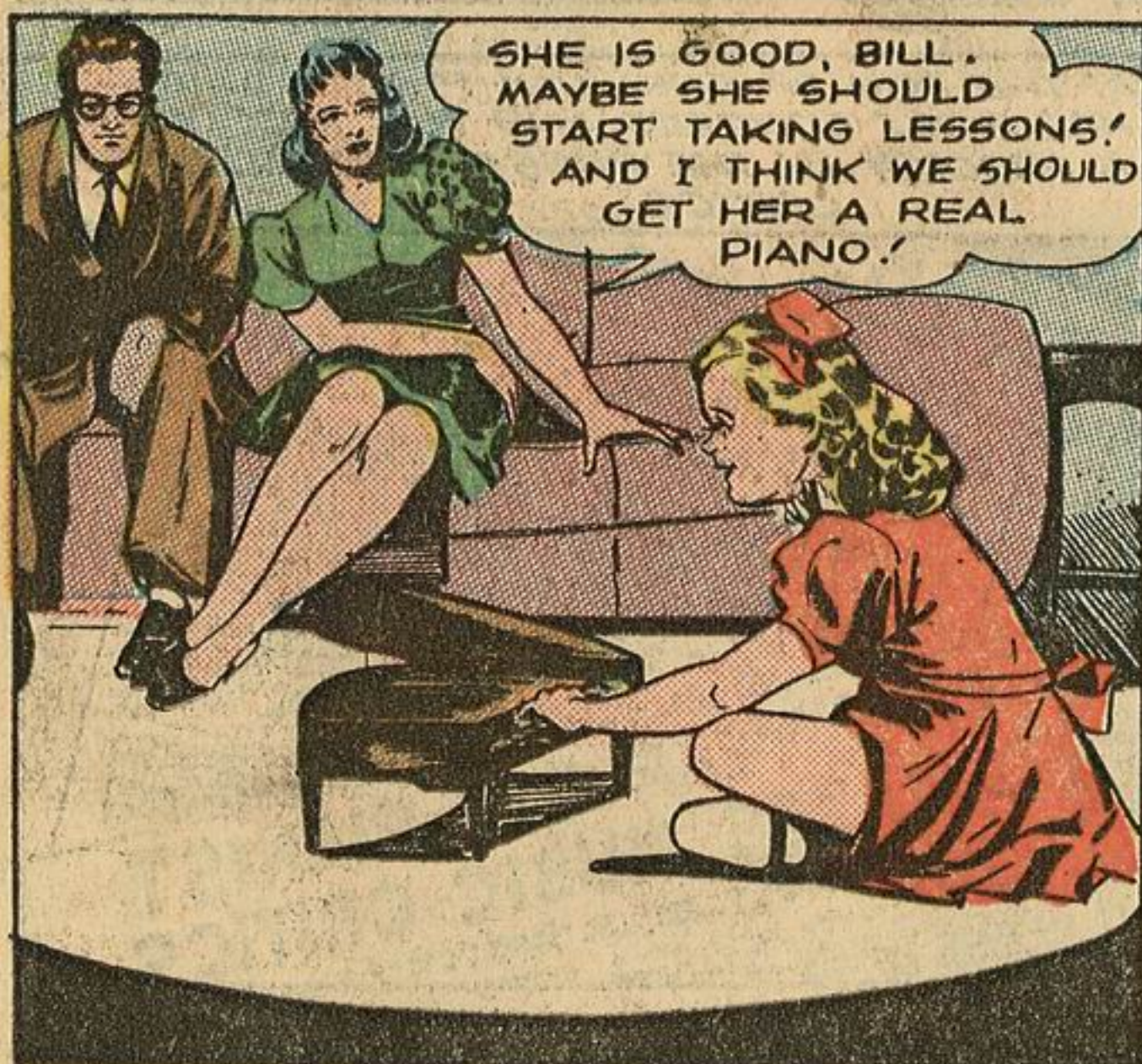
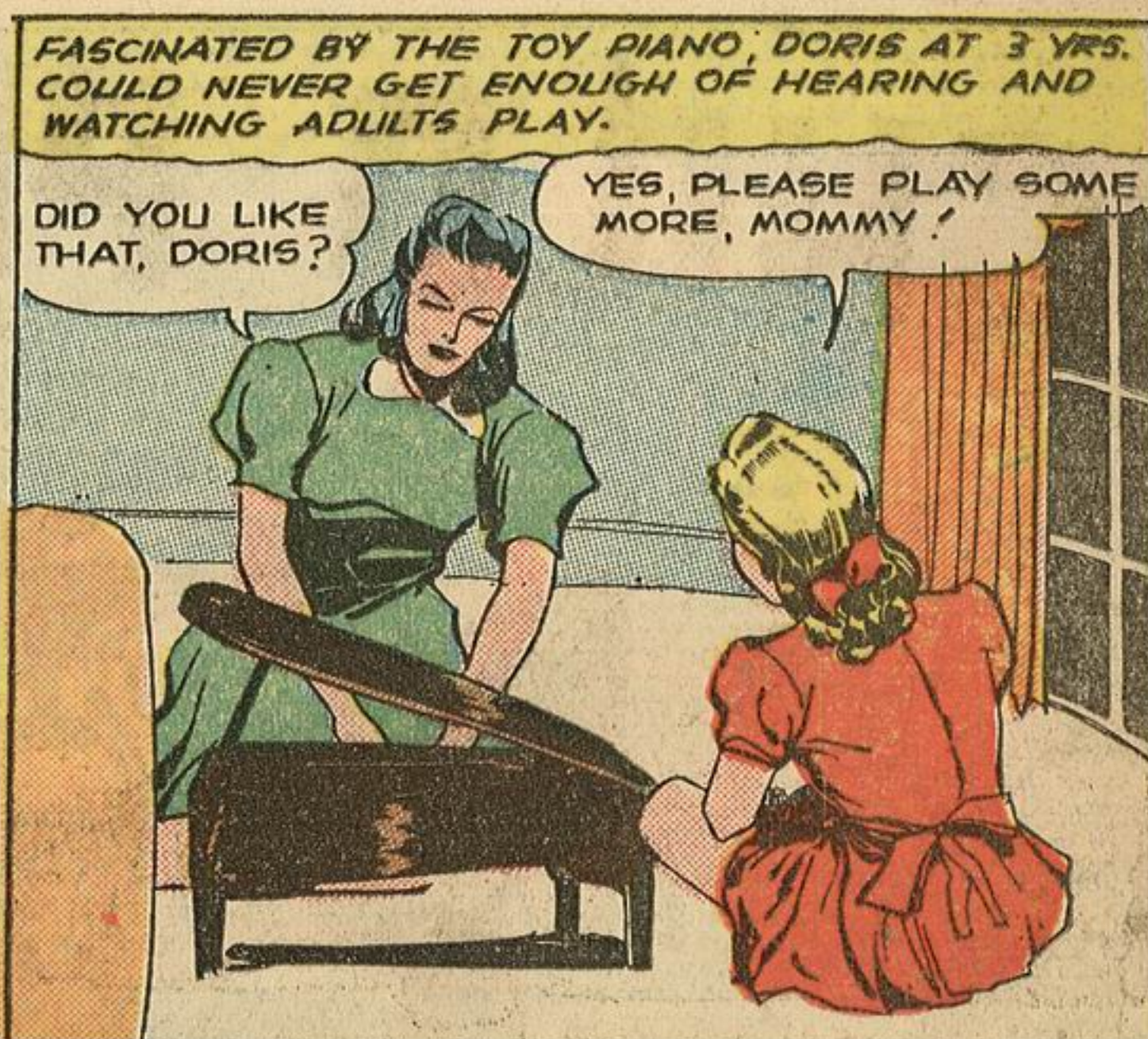
THE DAY OF
THE RACE....



HOORAY!
WHITE HOPE
WINS!

YES, AND IT
LOOKS LIKE
FATS KORPIS
LOST!





DORIS PROGRESSED RAPIDLY AND MADE FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE - A 20 MINUTE RECITAL AT MARY WASHINGTON COLLEGE...



FOLLOWING HER DEBUT DORIS PLAYED SEVERAL TIMES FOR LOCAL CHARITIES AND HIGH SCHOOL VARIETY SHOWS...

WELL, HOW DID IT GO TODAY, DARLING? DO YOU THINK SHE'S READY FOR TOMORROW MRS. DRAKE?

OF COURSE, MRS. WEBSTER. DORIS NEEDS TO HEAR A TUNE ONCE AND SHE CAN PLAY IT.



AND AS USUAL, THE FOLLOWING DAY, DORIS WAS A HUGE SUCCESS...



AT THE AGE OF 5, IN JULY 1945, DORIS GAVE HER FIRST CONCERT AND WAS PROCLAIMED A PRODIGY BY THE PRESS AND MUSIC CRITICS.

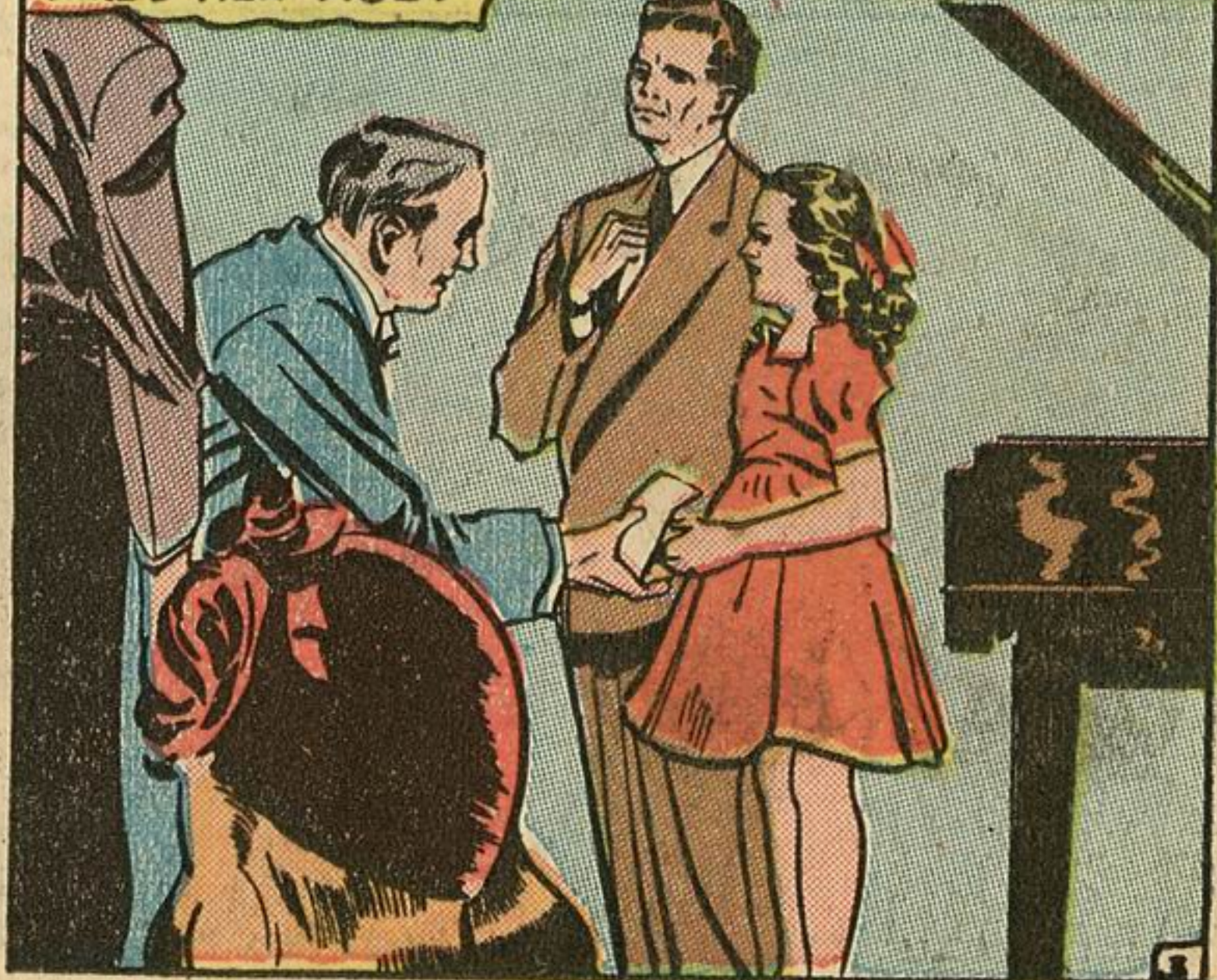


ONE YEAR LATER...

I SEE YOU HAVE ENTERED DORIS IN THE CHAMBER MUSIC GUILD AUDITIONS. THEY WANT HER IN WASHINGTON BY WED., DEAR.



AND THERE DORIS WON THE \$50 AWARD AS THE MOST TALENTED AGAINST A FIELD TWO AND THREE TIMES HER AGE.



DORIS' REAL BIG MOMENT CAME OCT 23, 1946. SHE GAVE A CONCERT AT THE SHOREHAM HOTEL IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

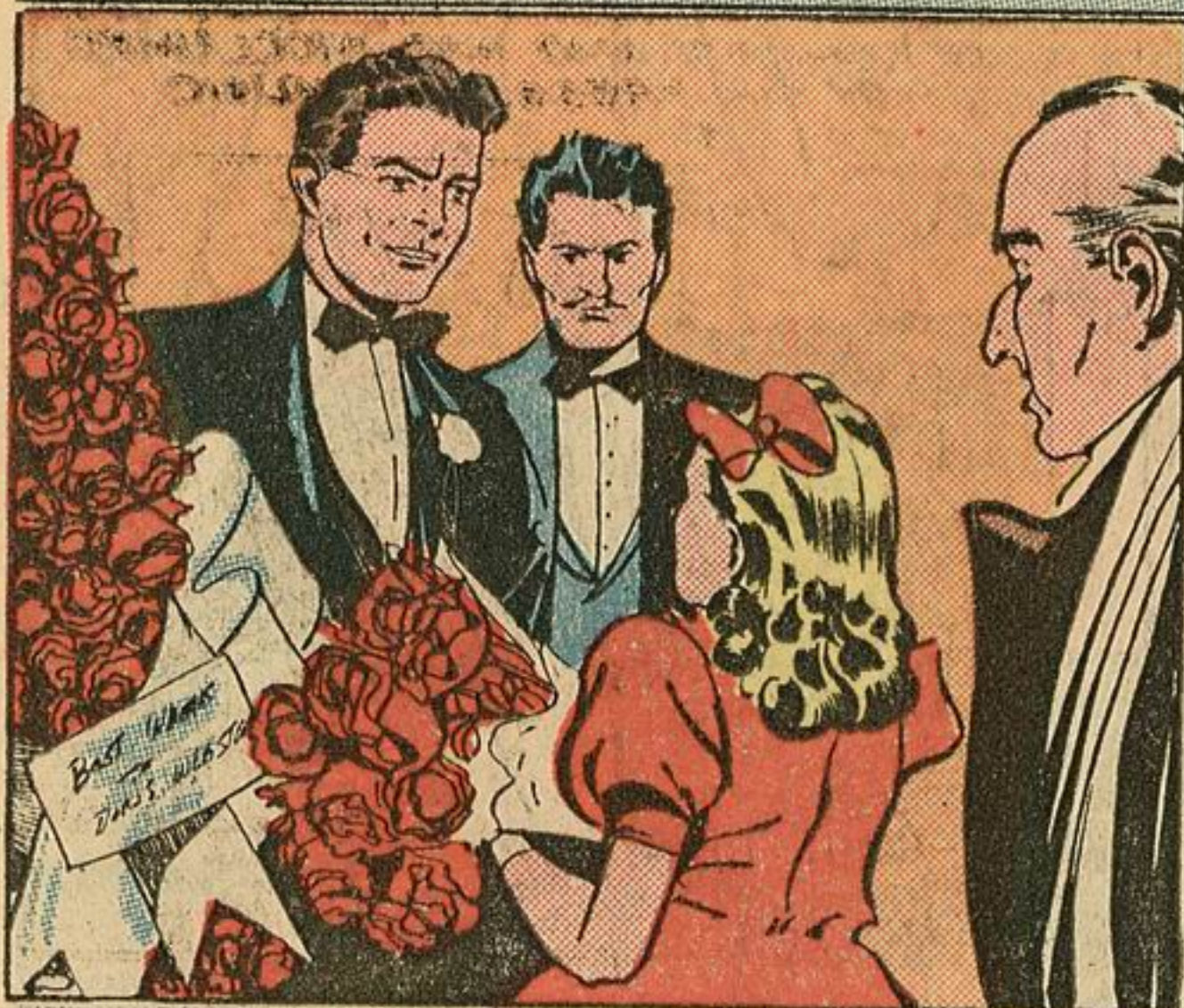
ARE YOU NERVOUS, DARLING?

NO, DADDY!

ACCOMPANIED BY A 28 PIECE ORCHESTRA CONDUCTED BY MICHEL PIASTRO, DORIS PLAYED MOZART'S CONCERTO IN A-MAJOR



DORIS PLAYED SUPERBLY! AFTER TWO ENCORES THE ENTHUSIASTIC AUDIENCE NEARLY MOBBED HER ...



A SHORT TIME LATER IN HER DRESSING ROOM...

YOU PLAYED DIVINELY, DEAR!



AND WHEN THEY WERE READY TO LEAVE...

THANK YOU FOR THE OFFER, MR. FELD. BUT I DON'T THINK DORIS IS READY FOR HOLLYWOOD!



WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE WHEN YOU GROW UP, DORIS?

I AM GOING TO BE A NURSE!



THERE IS LITTLE DOUBT THAT DORIS' NURSING WILL BE CONFINED TO THE PIANO, BECAUSE GOD-GIVEN TALENT BELONGS TO MUSIC LOVERS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

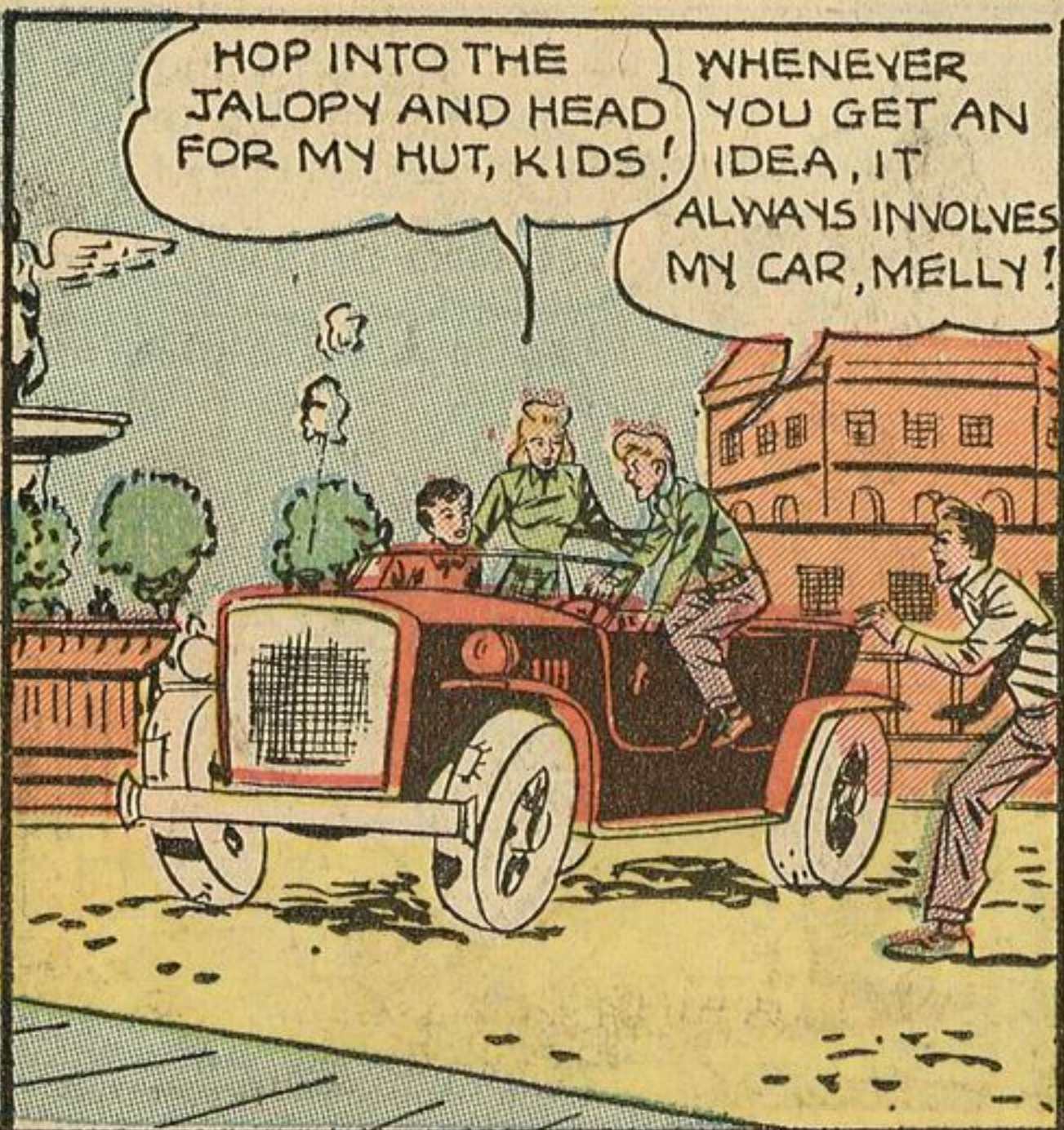
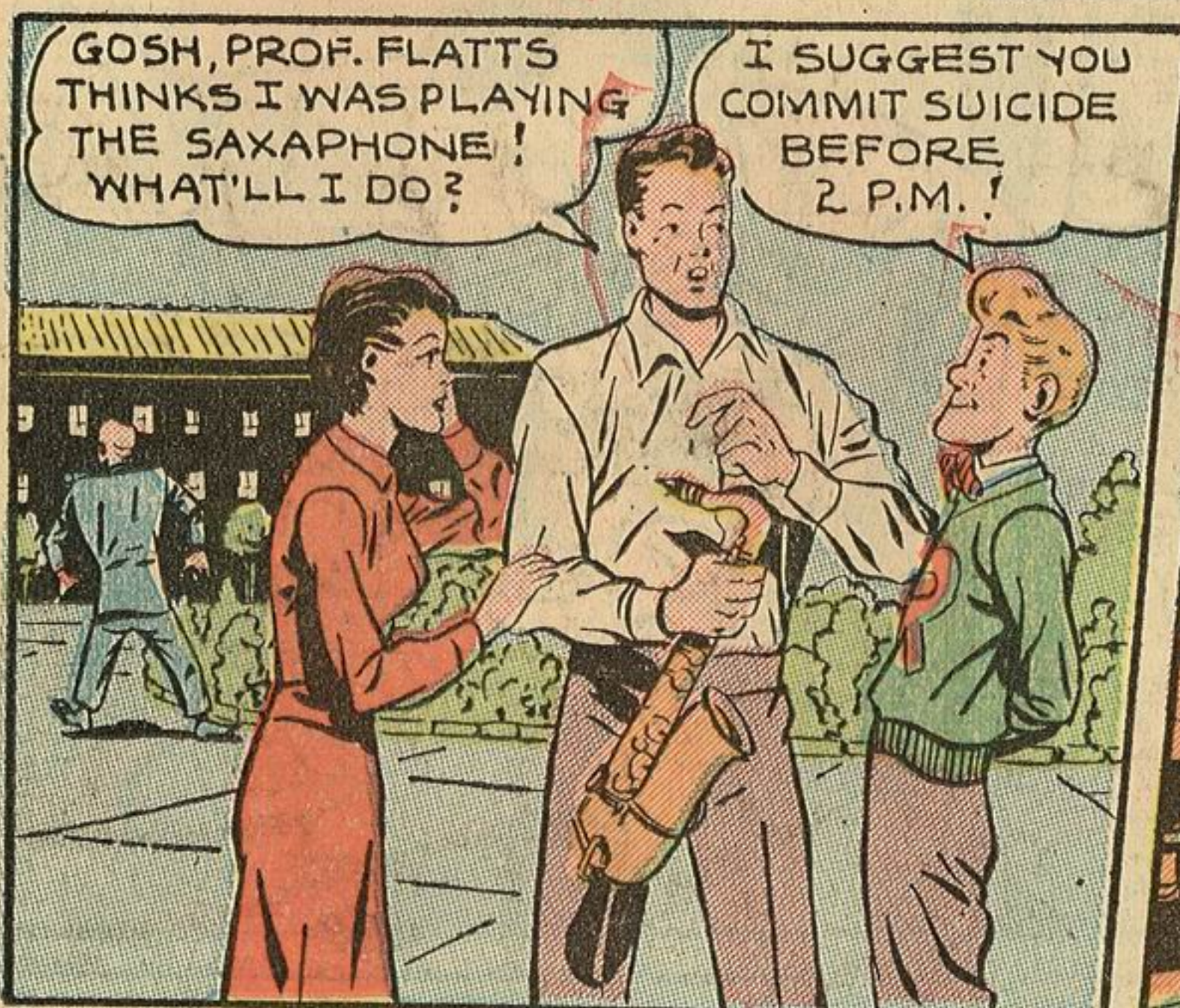
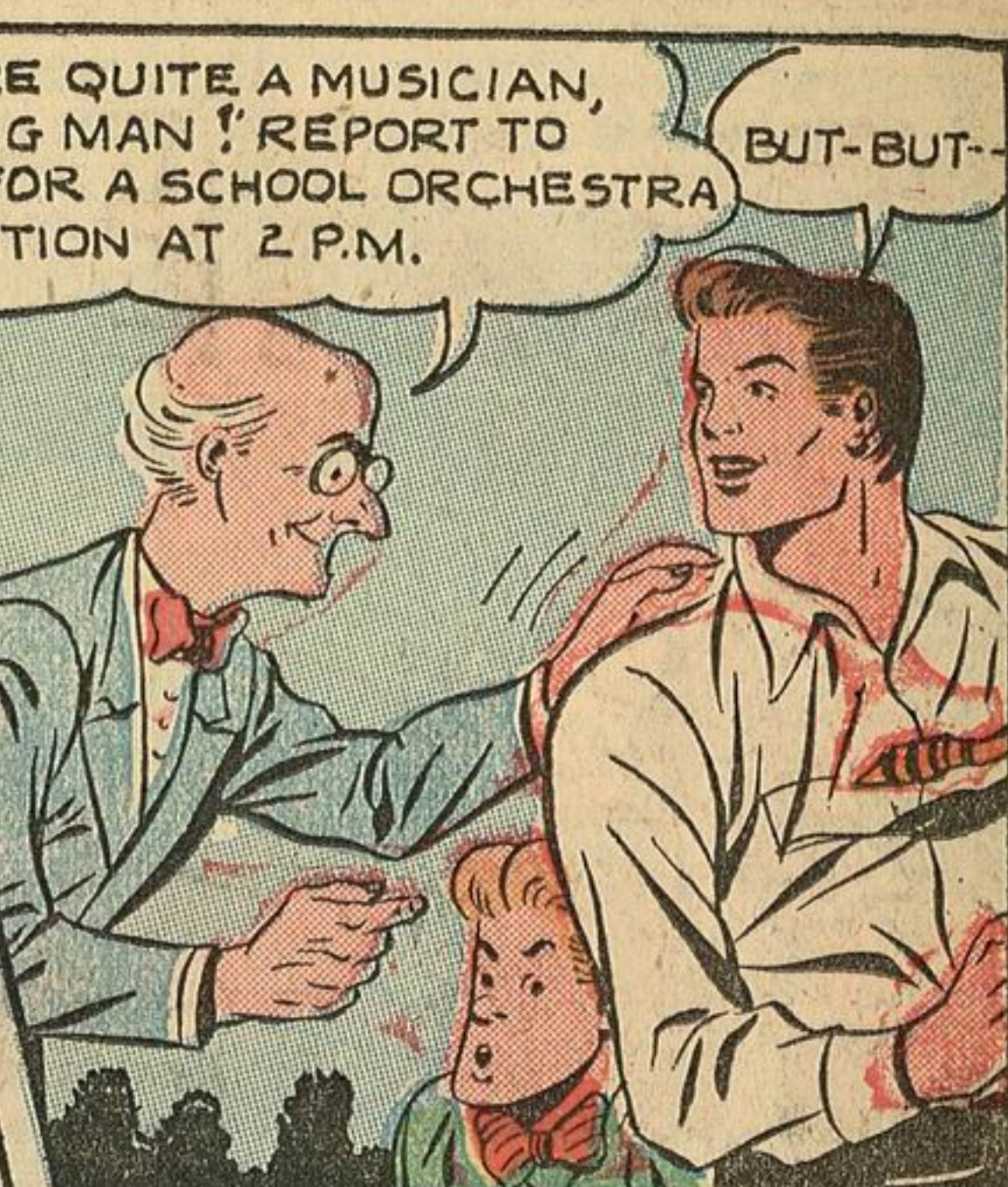
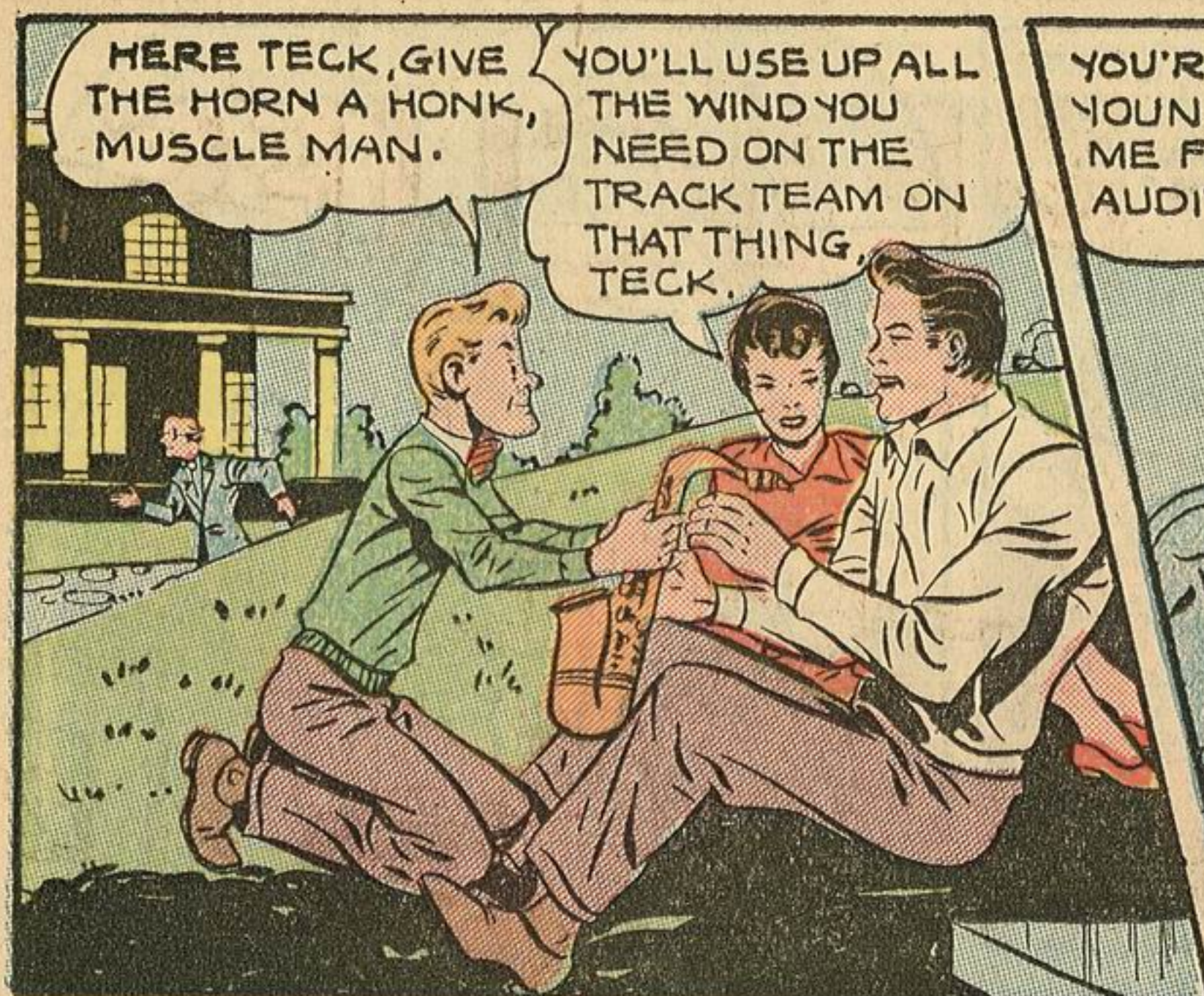
SAXIE AND PEACHES

YEOW! I THINK WE PUT TOO MUCH FEELING INTO THAT LAST CHORUS OF "I'M FOREVER BLOWING BUBBLES"!

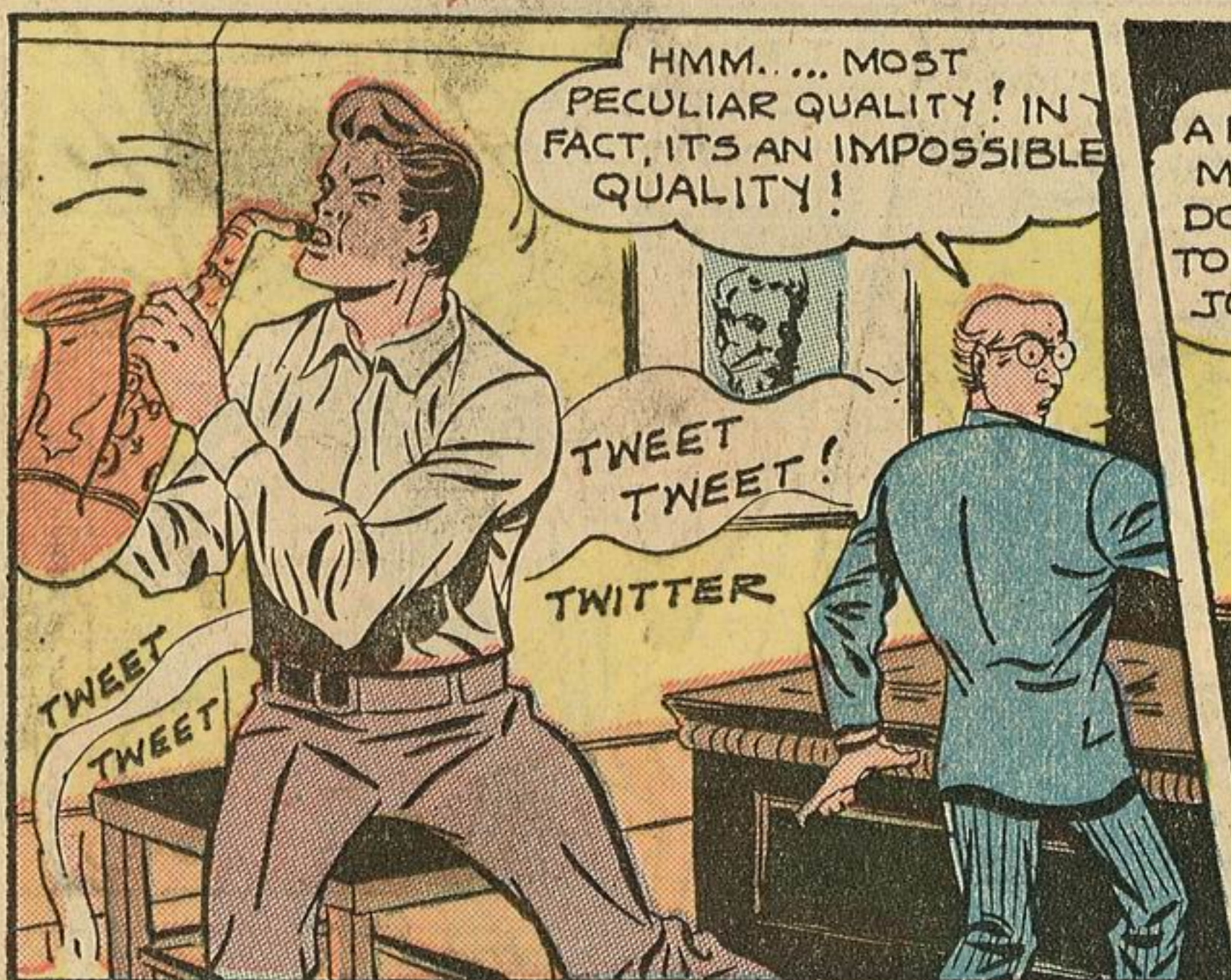
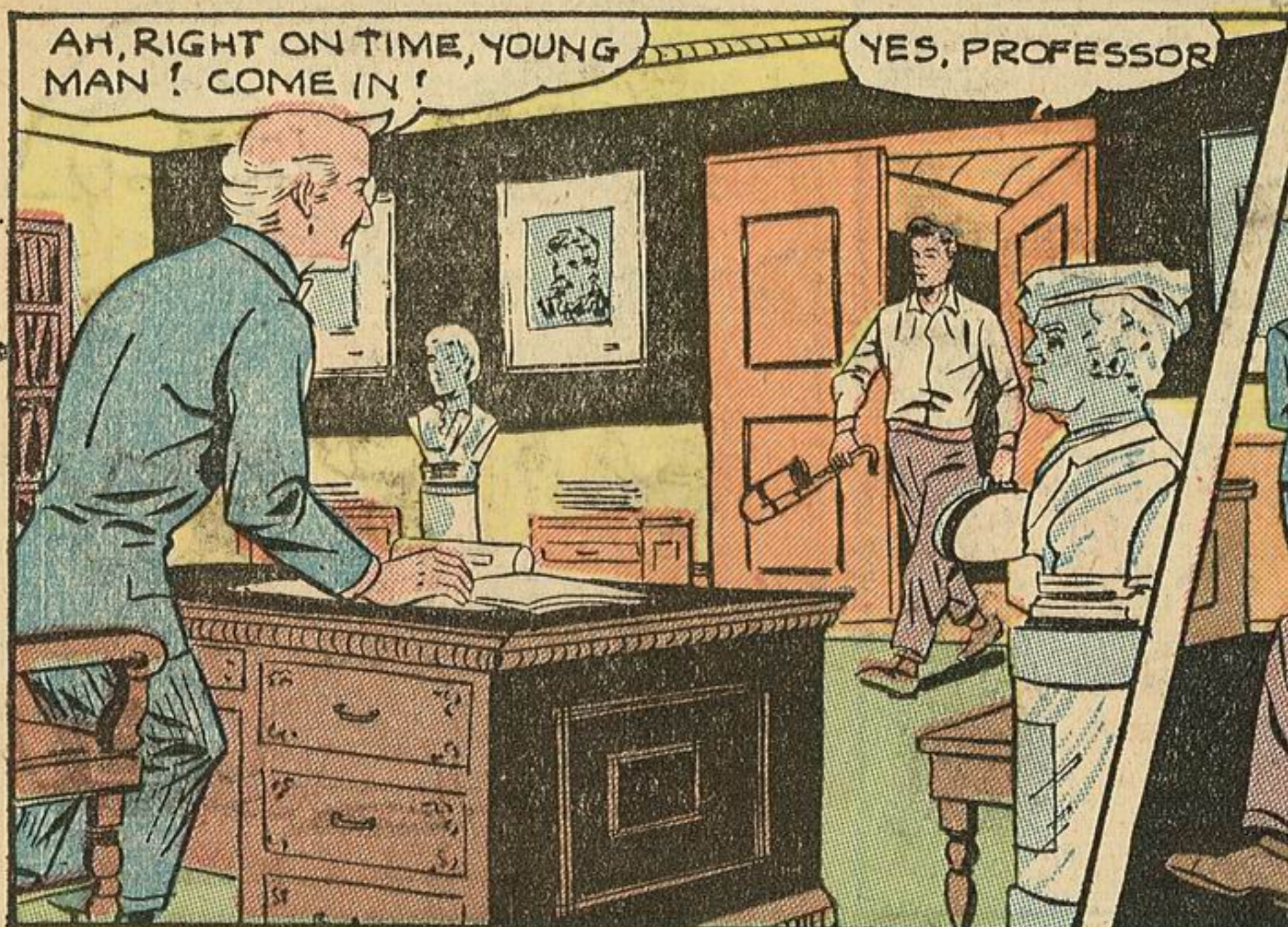
WHY IS IT THAT THE OTHER FELLOW'S PASTURES ALWAYS LOOK A BIT GREENER? SAXIE, THE SAXAPHONIST, AND TECK, THE ATHLETE, TRY A HAND ONCE AGAIN AT MAKING GOOD IN EACH OTHER'S FIELD OF TALENT BUT FIND OUT THAT IT'S NO GO!

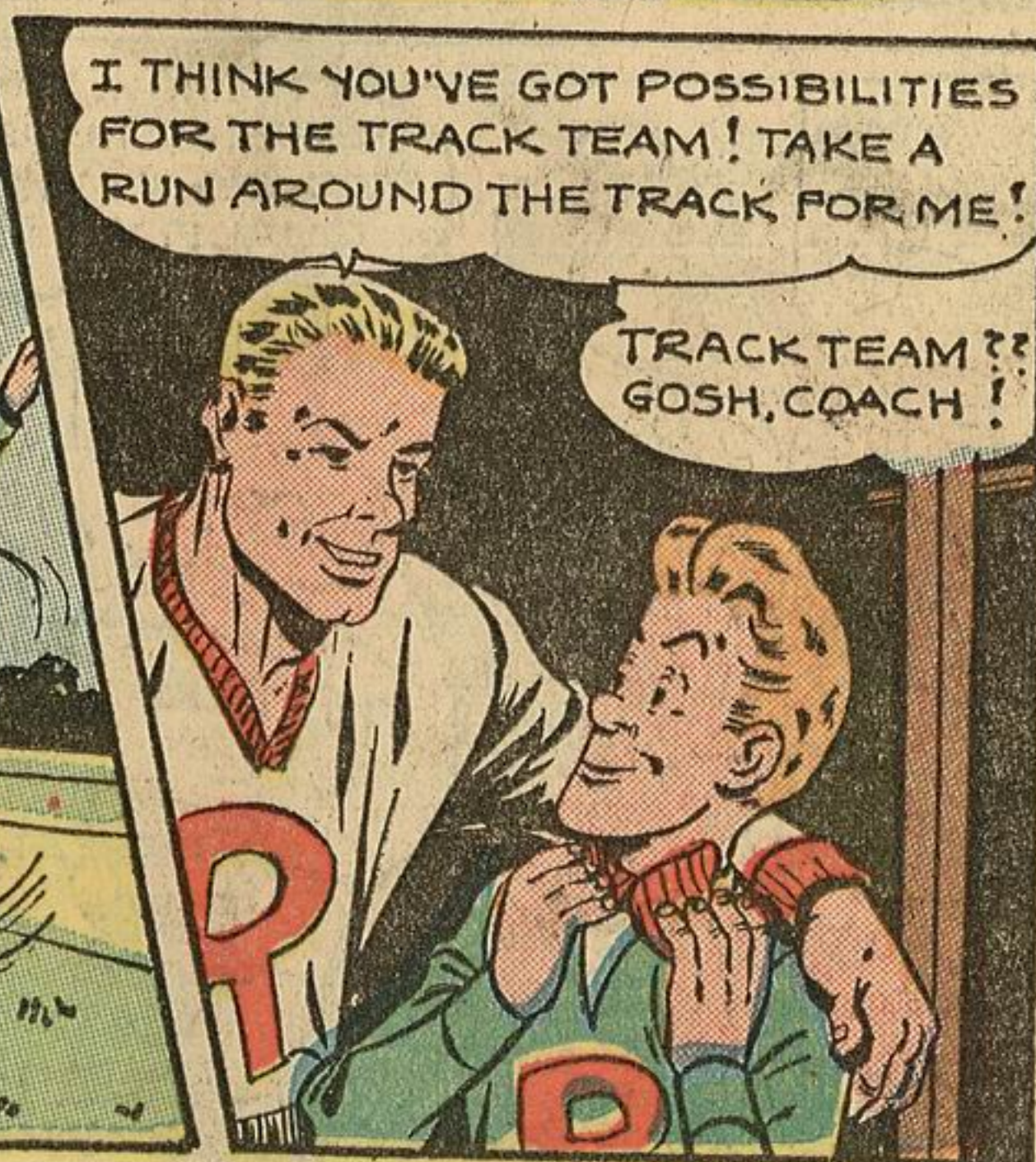
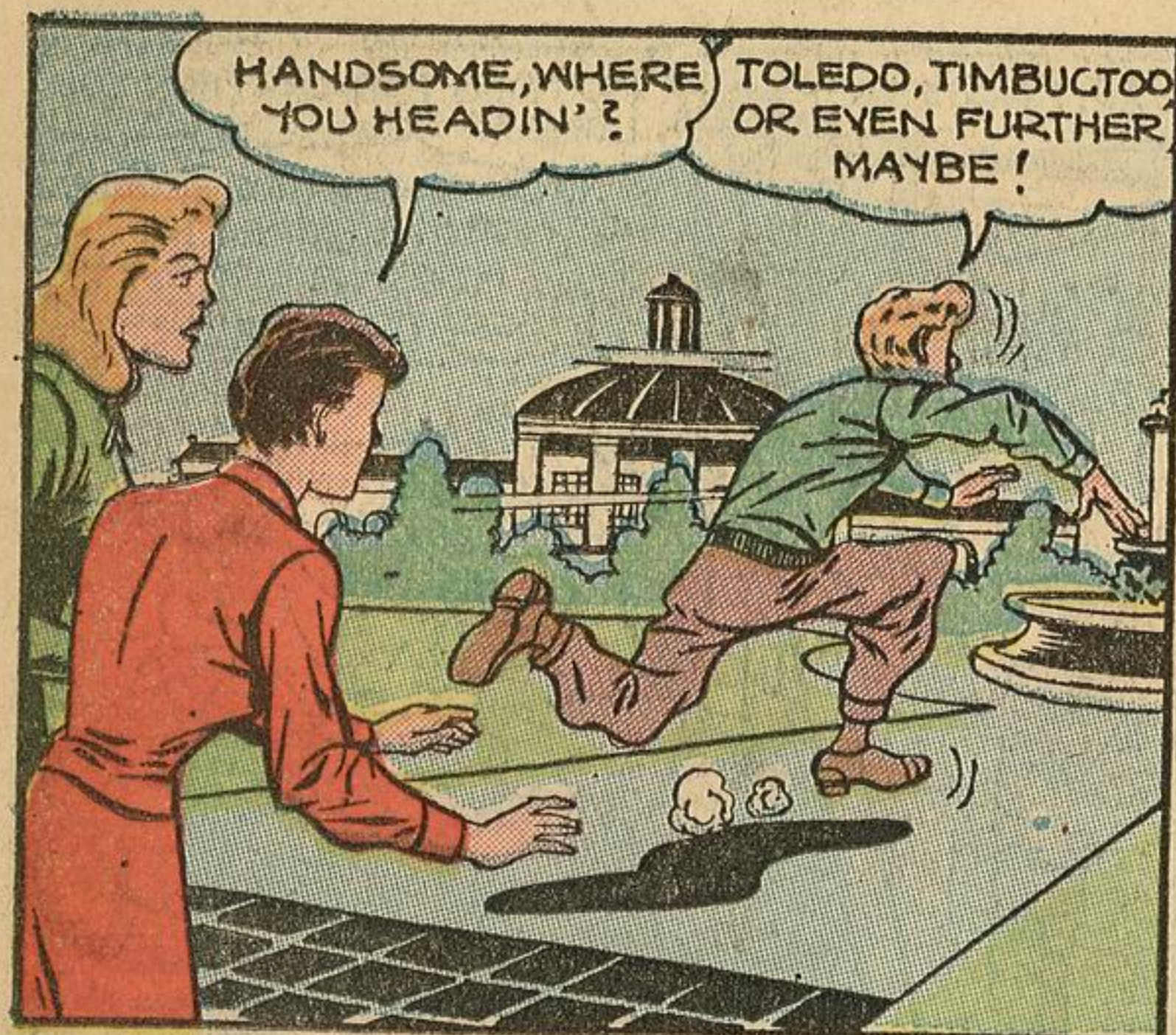
WHY DID I HAVE TO PICK OUT A BOOGIE-WOOGIE SCHOOL BOY AS MY SWEETHEART?

MM, WHOEVER IS PLAYING THAT INSTRUMENT IS DECIDEDLY TALENTED!









TRUE DRAMATIC *Crimes*

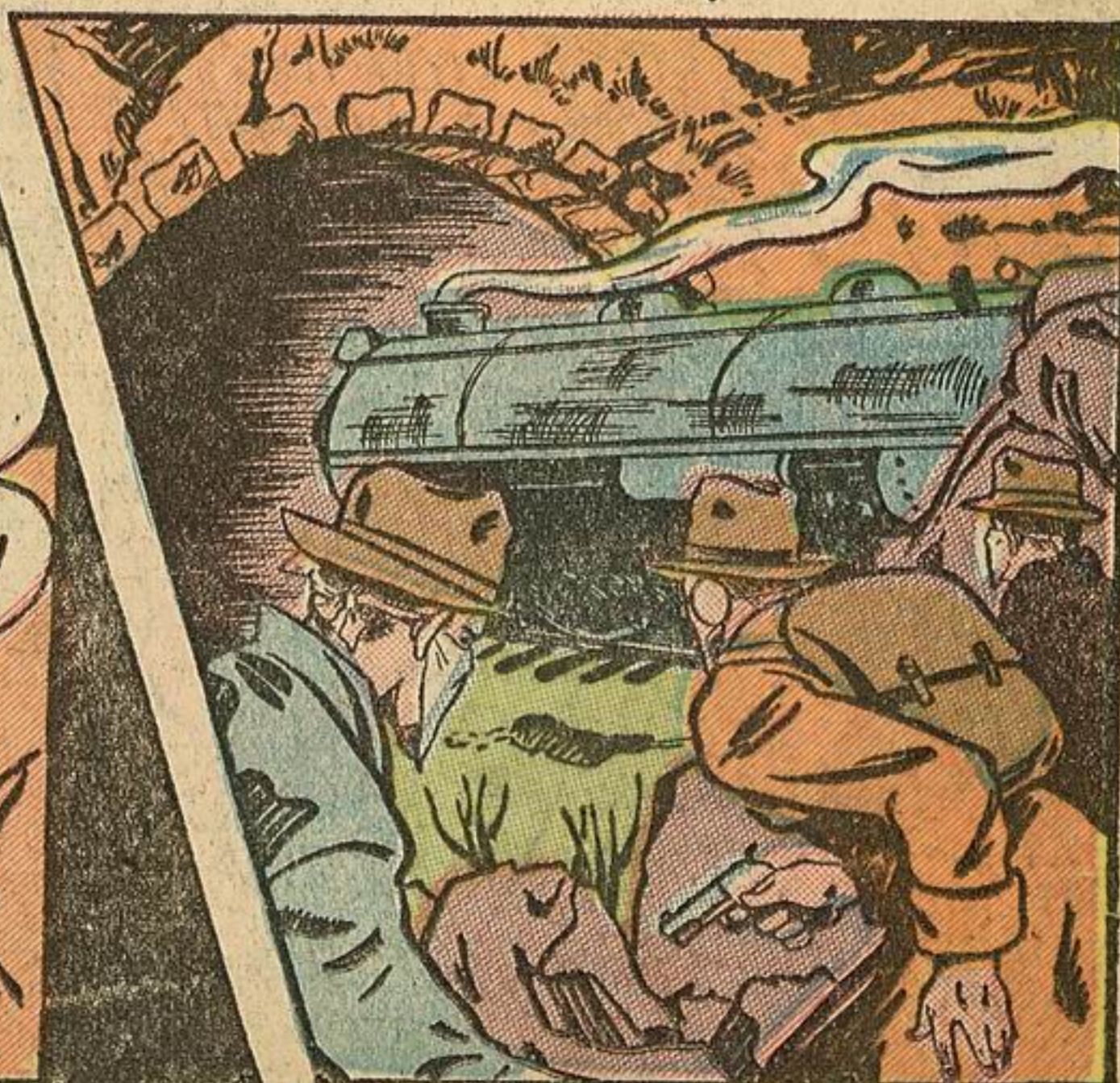
A TRIO OF DESPERADOES ATTACKED, ON THE NIGHT OF OCTOBER 11, 1923, A SOUTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS TRAIN IN THE SISKIYOU TUNNEL IN OREGON. THEY BLASTED THE MAIL-CAR AND KILLED FOUR OF THE TRAIN CREW. NOT A CLUE EXISTED. FINALLY, A UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR STEPPED IN TO "BUST" THE CRIME WIDE OPEN. HE PROVIDED THE INFORMATION THAT WAS TO ENABLE POSTAL INSPECTORS TO CAPTURE THE THREE BLOODY MURDERERS!

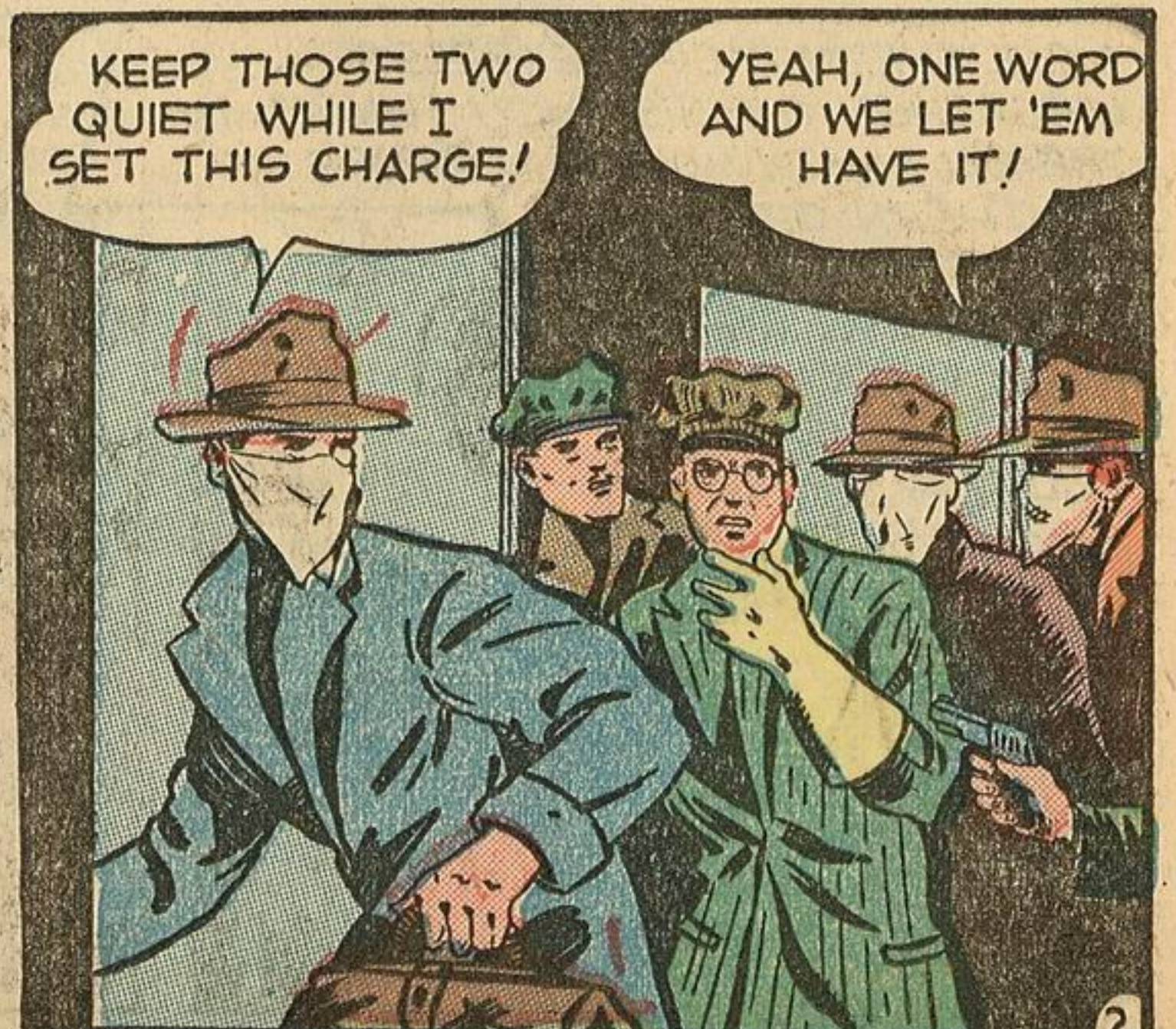
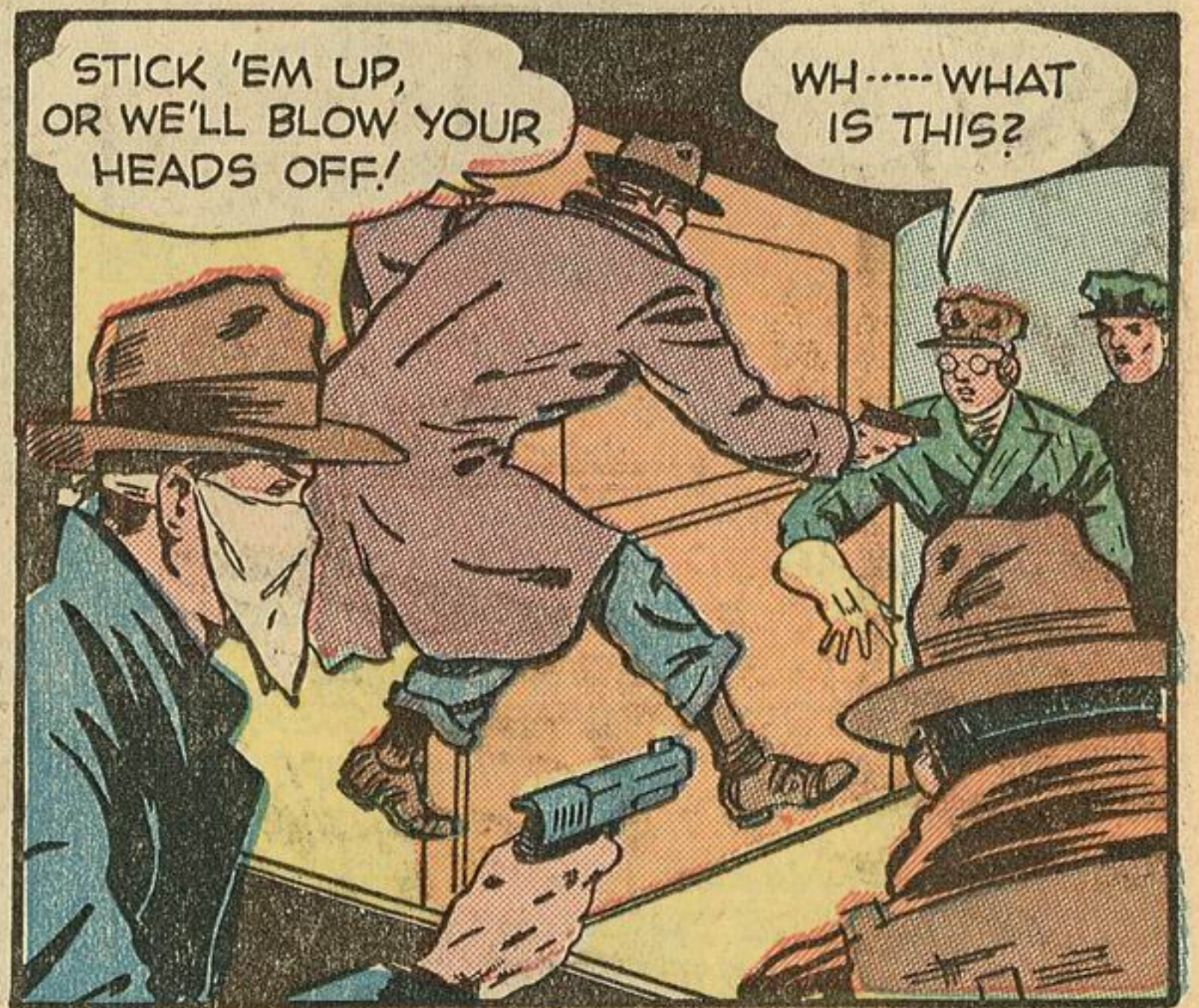


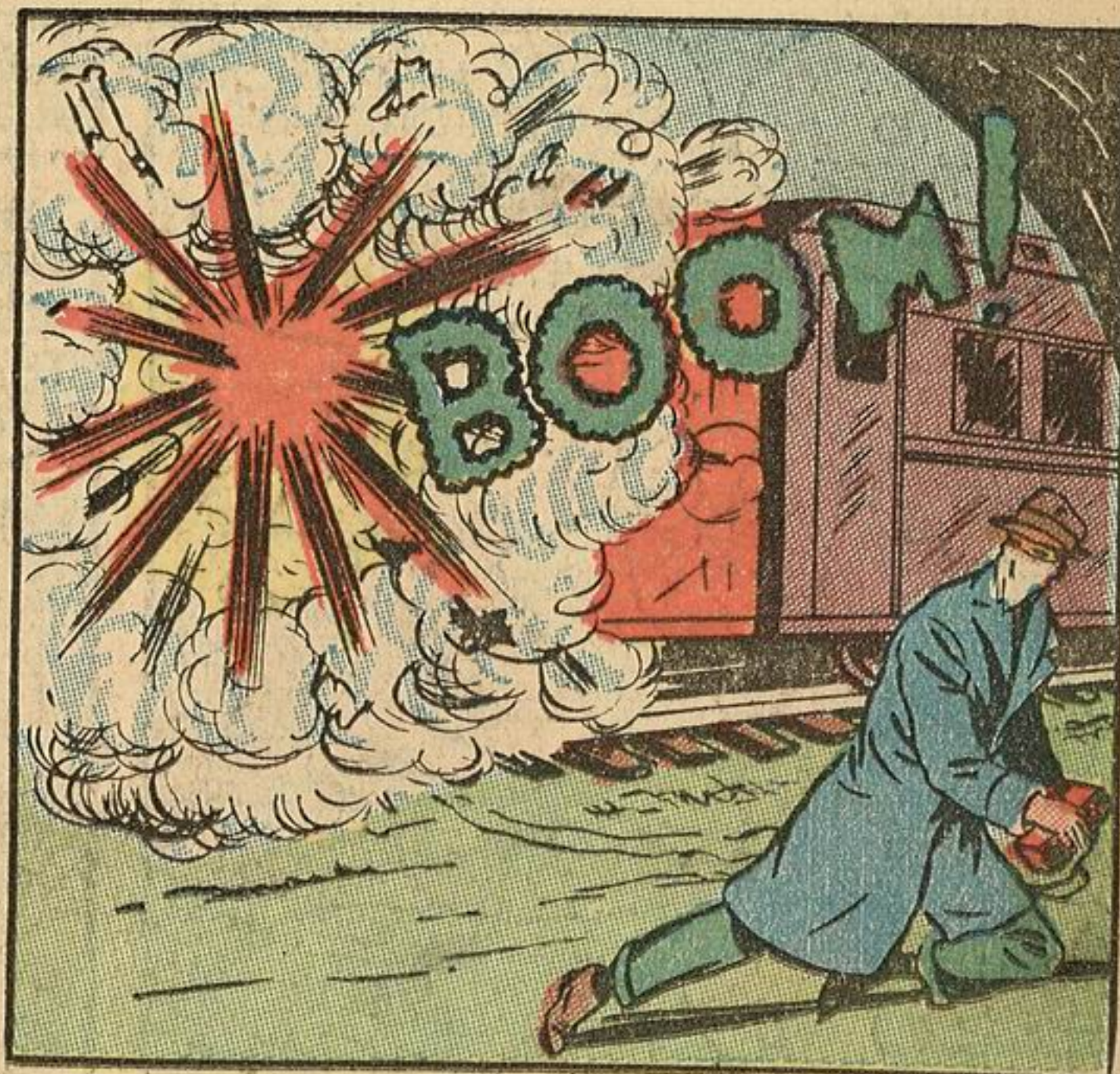
A SOUTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS APPROACHES THE SISKIYOU TUNNEL IN THE KALAMATH MOUNTAIN RANGE OF SOUTHERN OREGON.....

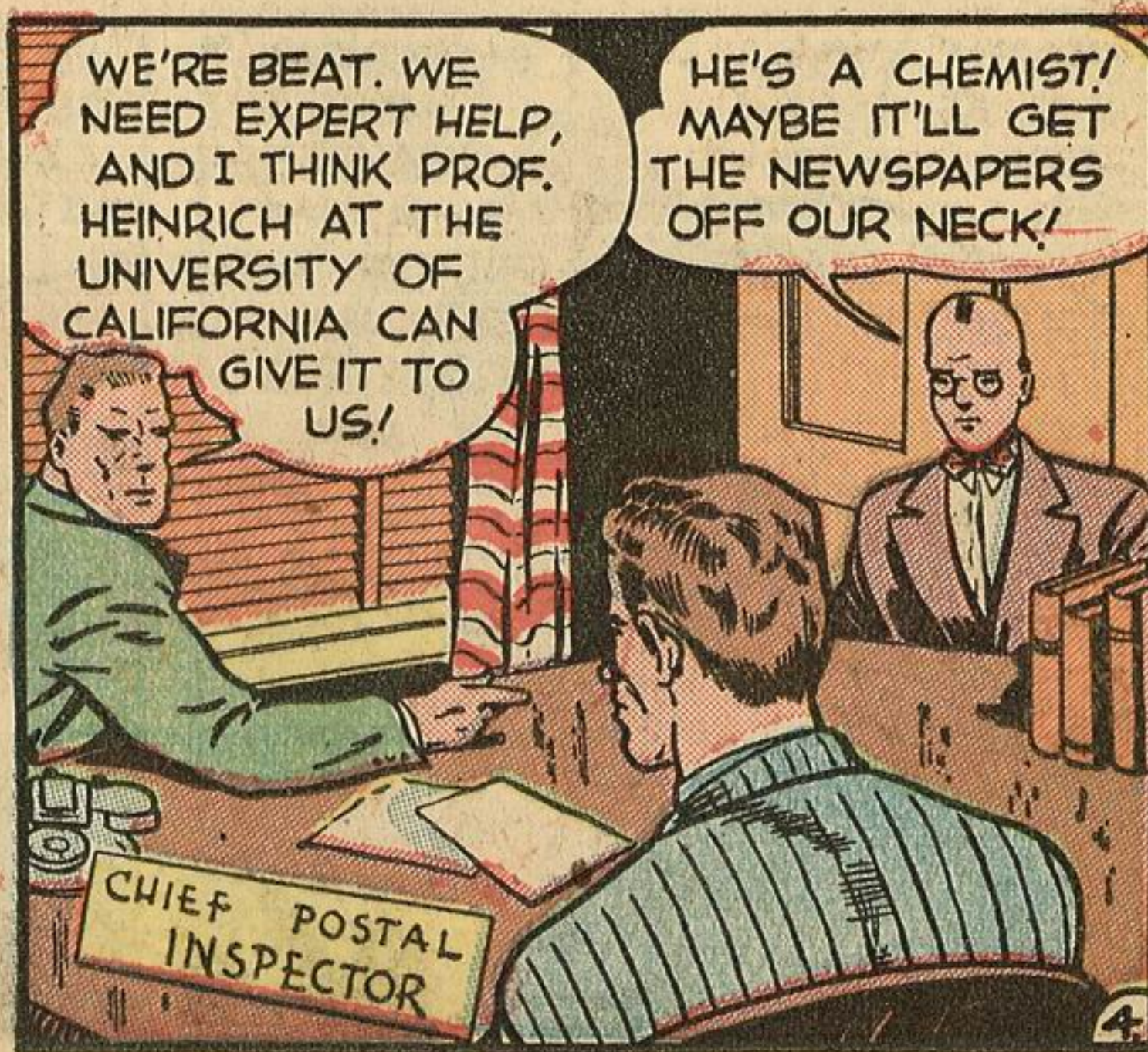
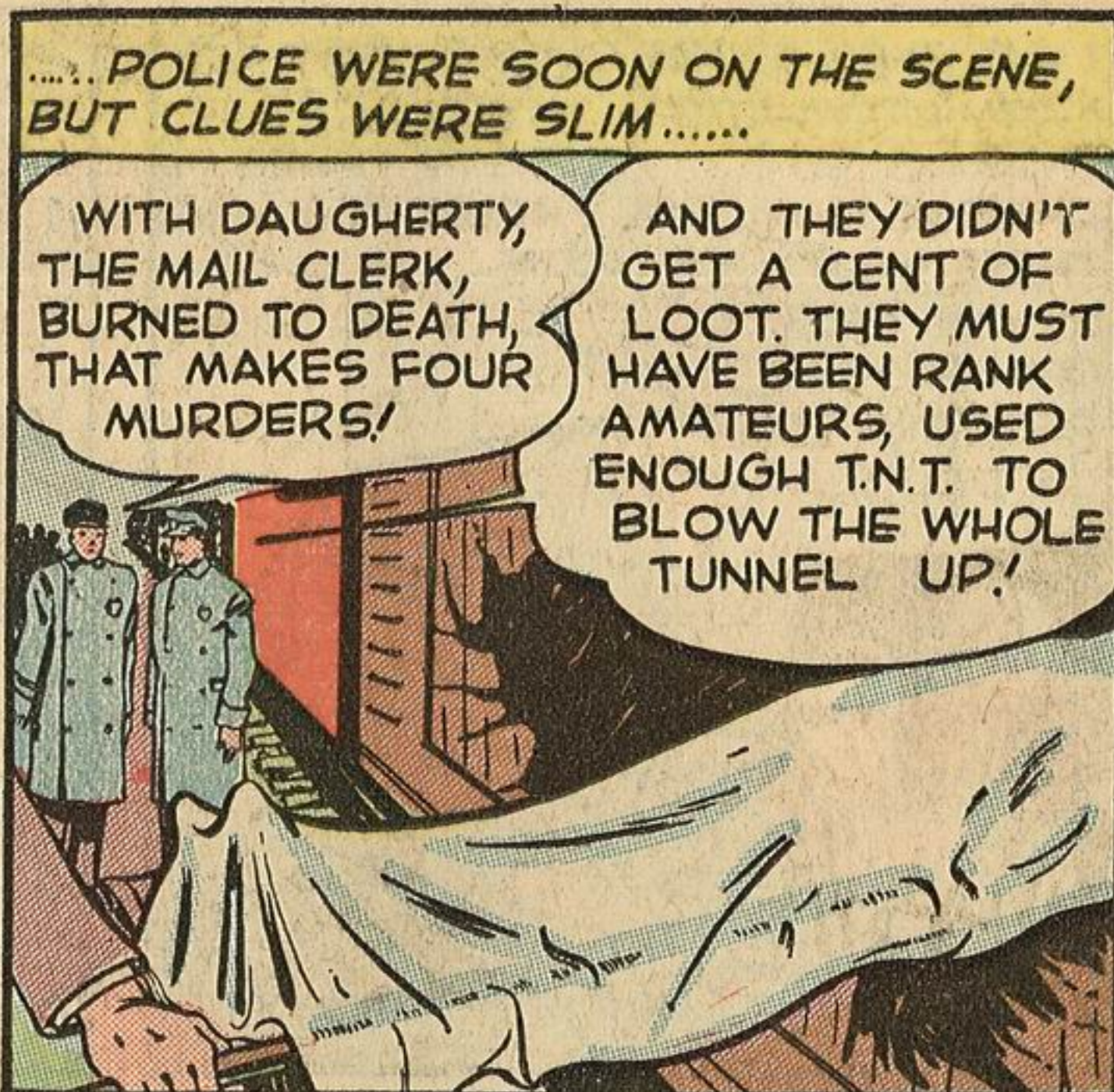
TOP OF THE RISE. MUST BE DOWN TO THREE OR FOUR MILES AN HOUR!

AWFUL COLD UP HERE. BE GLAD WHEN WE GET THROUGH THIS TUNNEL AND HIT THE DOWNGRADE!









.... AT THE LABORATORY OF PROF. EDWARD O. HEINRICH....

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS SHOWS THESE SPOTS ARE MADE BY GUM FROM TREES, NOT GREASE. YOUR MAN HAS RECENTLY BEEN WORKING IN DOUGLAS COUNTRY!

THAT CLEARS THE MECHANIC. NOW WE HAVEN'T ANY SUSPECTS!

THE BANDIT WHO WORE THESE OVERALLS WAS LEFT-HANDED, SEE HOW MUCH MORE WORN THEY ARE ON THE RIGHT SIDE. THAT INDICATES HE STOOD WITH THAT SIDE TOWARDS THE TREES HE CUT DOWN. FROM A PIECE OF HAIR FOUND IN ONE OF THE JUMPER BUTTONS WE FIND THE MAN WAS BROWN-HAIRED AND, NOT OVER 25 YEARS OLD!

WHAT ABOUT HIS ACCOMPLICES?

THIS KNAPSACK CONTAINED OVERSHOES, THREE PAIRS OF THEM, ALL CREOSOTE COVERED!

HMMM! CREOSOTE TO THROW BLOODHOUNDS OFF THE TRAIL. CAREFUL MEN!

THERE WERE THREE OR FOUR GRAINS OF ROCK SALT IN THE KNAPSACK. I BELIEVE THE BANDITS USED A CATTLEMAN'S CABIN, NEAR SISKIYOU TUNNEL, AS A HIDEOUT!

THAT MAKES SENSE! CATTLEMEN USE SALT FOR THEIR STOCK. I'LL GET A PARTY HUNTING THE AREA FOR A CABIN AT ONCE!

HEINRICH WAS RIGHT! OUR BANDITS STAYED HERE. THIS TOWEL SHOULD GIVE US SOME VALUABLE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OTHER TWO MEN!

HEINRICH'S ALREADY GIVEN US A BETTER DESCRIPTION OF ONE OF THESE MEN THAN THE AVERAGE EYE-WITNESS!

.... PROF. HEINRICH ESTABLISHED, FROM THE TOWEL, THAT THE MEN WERE ALL UNDER 25, SO THE SEARCH NARROWED SOMEWHAT, BUT NO REAL PROGRESS WAS MADE. FINALLY, IN POSTMASTER GENERAL NEW'S OFFICE IN WASHINGTON....

THIS TRIO MUST BE CAUGHT, MR. RIDERFORD, I'M GIVING YOU UNLIMITED FUNDS, I WANT RESULTS!

I'LL COMB EVERY LUMBER CAMP IN THE COUNTRY, SIR! WE'LL GET THEM IF IT TAKES TEN YEARS!

..... AFTER A YEAR OF FALSE CLUES AND DEAD END TRAILS, TWO FEDERAL MEN, POSING AS LUMBERJACKS, PICK UP A LEAD IN EUGENE, OREGON.....

THESE THREE BROTHERS, WHAT WERE THEIR NAMES?

THE D'AUTREMONT. A LOUD, STUCK-UP TROUBLESOME BUNCH THEY WERE TOO. LIVED IN A SHACK OUT NEAR THE EDGE OF TOWN!



BE SURE AND CHECK EVERYTHING FOR FINGERPRINTS. I'VE FOUND A TOWEL THAT OUGHT TO TELL HEINRICH SOMETHING!

IT'S A BREAK NO ONE'S LIVED HERE SINCE THESE D'AUTREMONT LEFT!



PROF. HEINRICH PROVED THE D'AUTREMONT WERE THE TRAIN ROBBERS.....

THIS SHOULD GET RESULTS. TOO BAD THE PICTURES AREN'T MORE RECENT, BUT THEN, THEY CAN'T HAVE CHANGED TOO MUCH FROM THEIR HIGH SCHOOL DAYS!

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FROM THEIR HOME IN NEW MEXICO, HUGH WAS THE BRIGHT BOY, THE LEADER OF THE THREE!



WANTED!
\$15,000 REWARD
HUGH D'AUTREMONT 19
ROY D'AUTREMONT 23
RAY D'AUTREMONT 23
CHARGED WITH THE MURDER OF FOUR MEN IN THE SISKIYOU TUNNEL HOLDUP.....



..... EVEN WITH THIS NEW INFORMATION NO BREAK CAME UNTIL THREE YEARS AFTER THE ROBBERY.....

SAY, I SERVED WITH THAT HUGH D'AUTREMONT IN THE PHILLIPINES- BUT HE DIDN'T CALL HIMSELF D'AUTREMONT THOUGH!

BETTER TELL THAT TO THE FEDERAL MEN, SOLDIER. MIGHT PICK YOURSELF UP A PIECE OF CHANGE!



ON A STEAMING HOT DAY IN THE PHILLIPINES.....

PVT. JAMES C. PRICE! REPORT TO THE COMPANY COMMANDER!



WE'VE GOT YOUR FINGERPRINTS, YOU'RE HUGH D'AUTREMONT AND YOU'RE WANTED FOR MURDER!

YES, I AM SIR!



..... 500 FALSE ARRESTS HAD BEEN MADE, THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS SPENT AND STILL ONLY ONE D'AUTREMONT HAD BEEN CAPTURED..... THEN, IN STEUBENVILLE, OHIO.....

THESE TWINS, THEY GO BY THE NAME OF GOODWILL, WORK WITH ME IN THE STEEL MILL, ONE IS ON SHIFT NOW!

WE'LL GO AND HAVE A LOOK AT HIM, JIM, BUT IT SOUNDS LIKE JUST ANOTHER PHONY!



D'AUTREMONT! DON'T MOVE, YOU'RE COVERED, SEARCH HIM, JIM!

WH.....WHAT..... YOU'RE WRONG, MISTER. MY NAME'S GOODWILL!

..... BUT ROY D'AUTREMONT SOON ADMITTED HIS IDENTITY AND LED THE OFFICERS TO HIS BROTHER.....

YOUR BROTHER HAS BEEN IN AN ACCIDENT AT THE MILL. HE WANTS YOU!

NO..... NO..... IT CAN'T BE! HOW BADLY IS HE HURT?

DON'T RESIST, RAY, OR WE'LL SHOOT. YOUR BROTHER IS ALREADY IN CUSTODY!

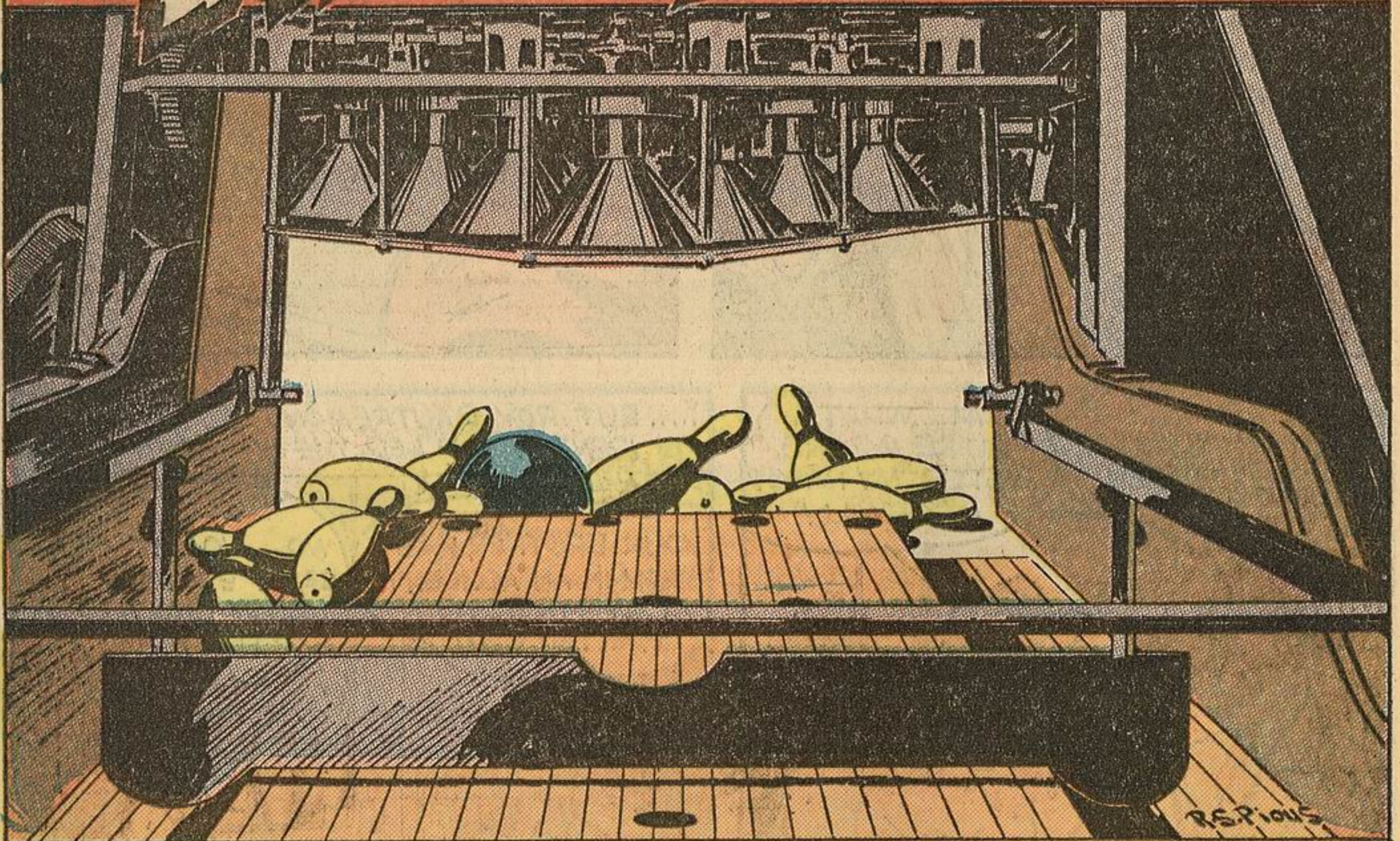
CAUGHT! IF I'D KNOWN I'D HAVE SHOT YOU DOWN AT THE DOOR THERE!

..... ONE OF THE GREATEST MANHUNTS IN HISTORY CONCLUDED SUCESSFULLY, AFTER FOUR YEARS. THE D'AUTREMONT'S ALL DREW LIFE SENTENCES. HUGH, THE BRIGHT BOY, SAID IN HIS CONFESSION.....

..... THE HAND OF THE POTTER WAVERED, AND POURED INTO THE MOLD OF THE D'AUTREMONT'S, TOO MUCH GUTS!

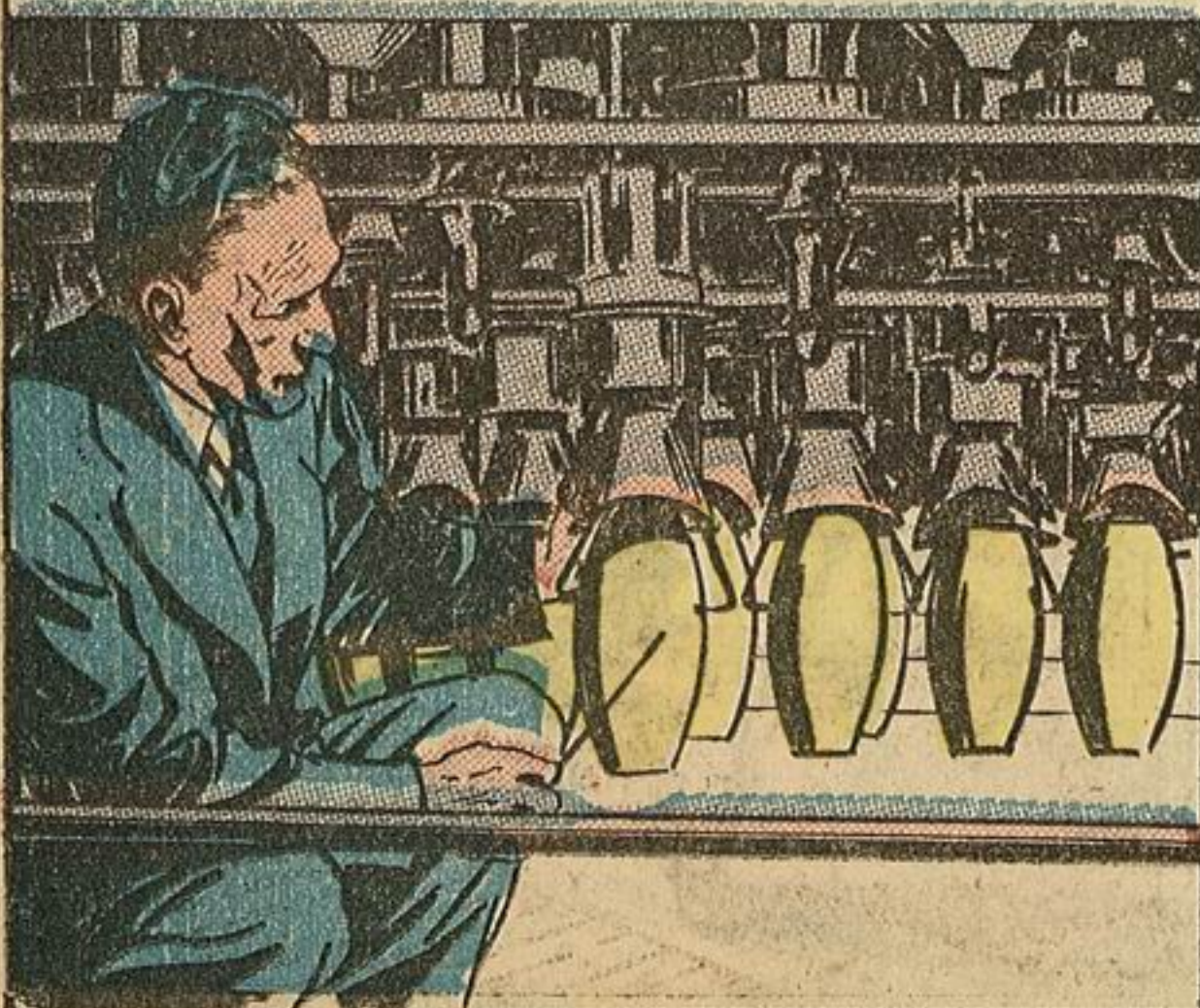
FEATURING

ELECTRIC PIN BOY



FOR MANY YEARS, BOWLING ENTHUSIASTS HAVE CLAMORED FOR AN AUTOMATIC PIN SPOTTING MACHINE. THAT DREAM IS NOW AN ACTUALITY, BECAUSE "ELECTRIC PIN BOY" MANUFACTURED BY THE AMERICAN MACHINE AND FOUNDRY COMPANY, ARE OPERATING IN ALLEYS FROM COAST TO COAST, AUTOMATICALLY PERFORMING ALL PHASES OF PIT SERVICE.

FRED J. SCHMIDT, INVENTOR OF THE AUTOMATIC PINSPOTTER, CHECKS ONE OF HIS REVOLUTIONARY UNITS, BEFORE UNVEILING THE MACHINE AT A RECENT CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN BOWLING CONGRESS.



THE PINSPOTTER COMPLETELY MECHANIZES ALL PHASES OF THE GAME, EXCEPT DELIVERY OF THE BALL BY THE BOWLER! EACH UNIT, SEVEN FEET, NINE INCHES HIGH, SETS UP THE PINS, RETURNS THE BALLS, RAKES OFF THE DEADWOOD, CALLS FOULS.

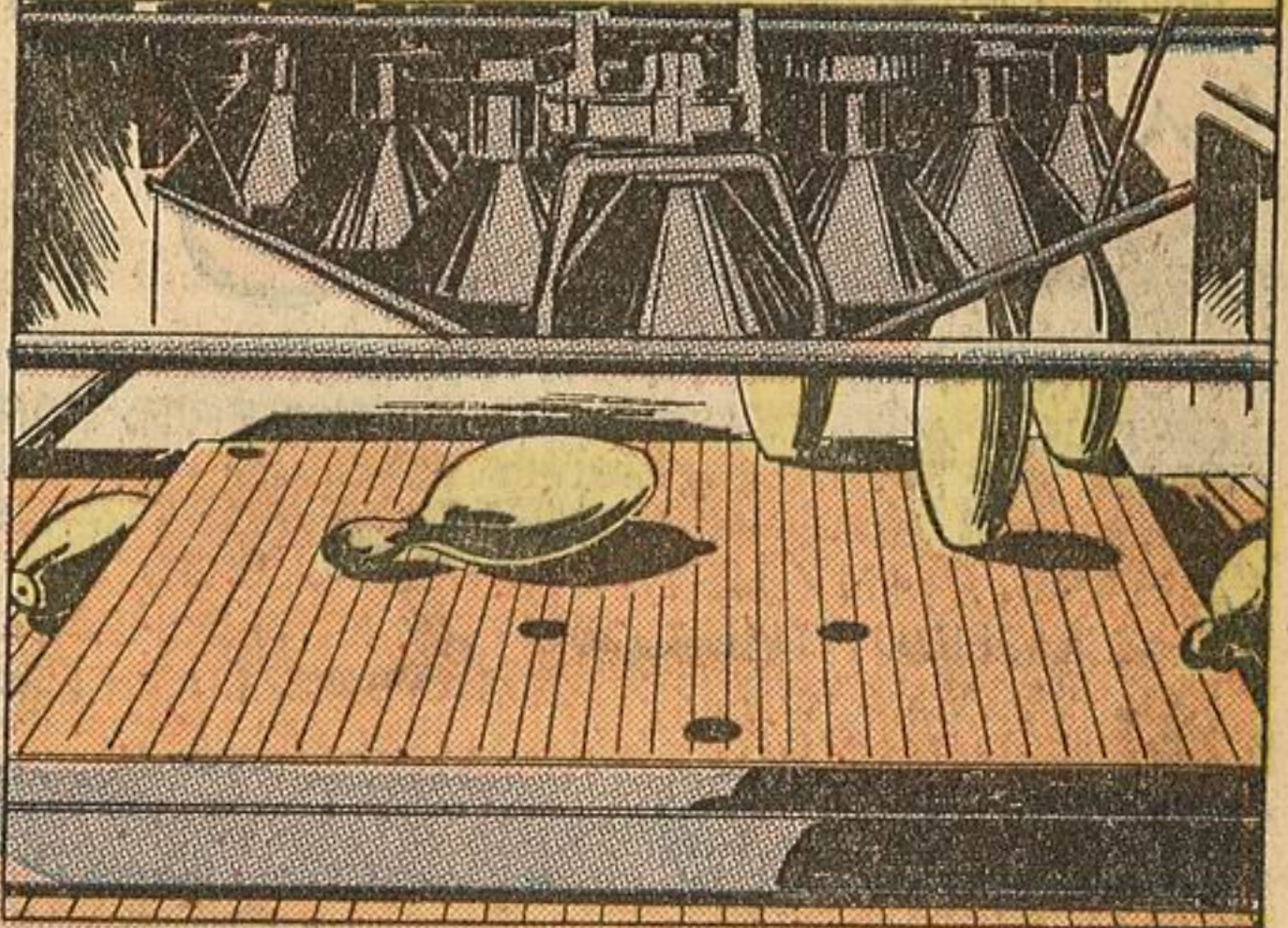


AND EVEN DISTINGUISHES BETWEEN STRIKES AND SPARES.

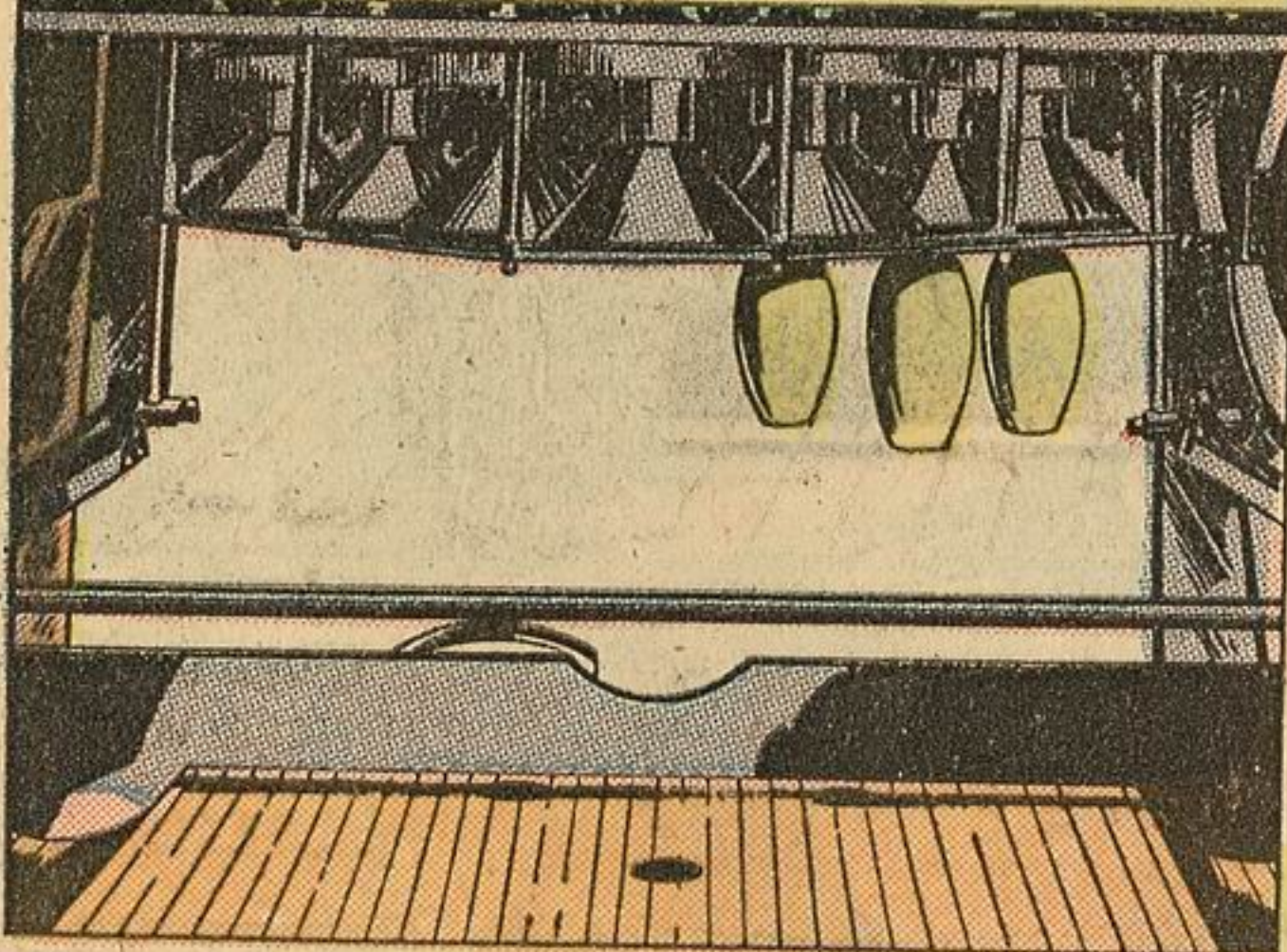
THIS IS HOW THE PINSPOTTER OPERATES



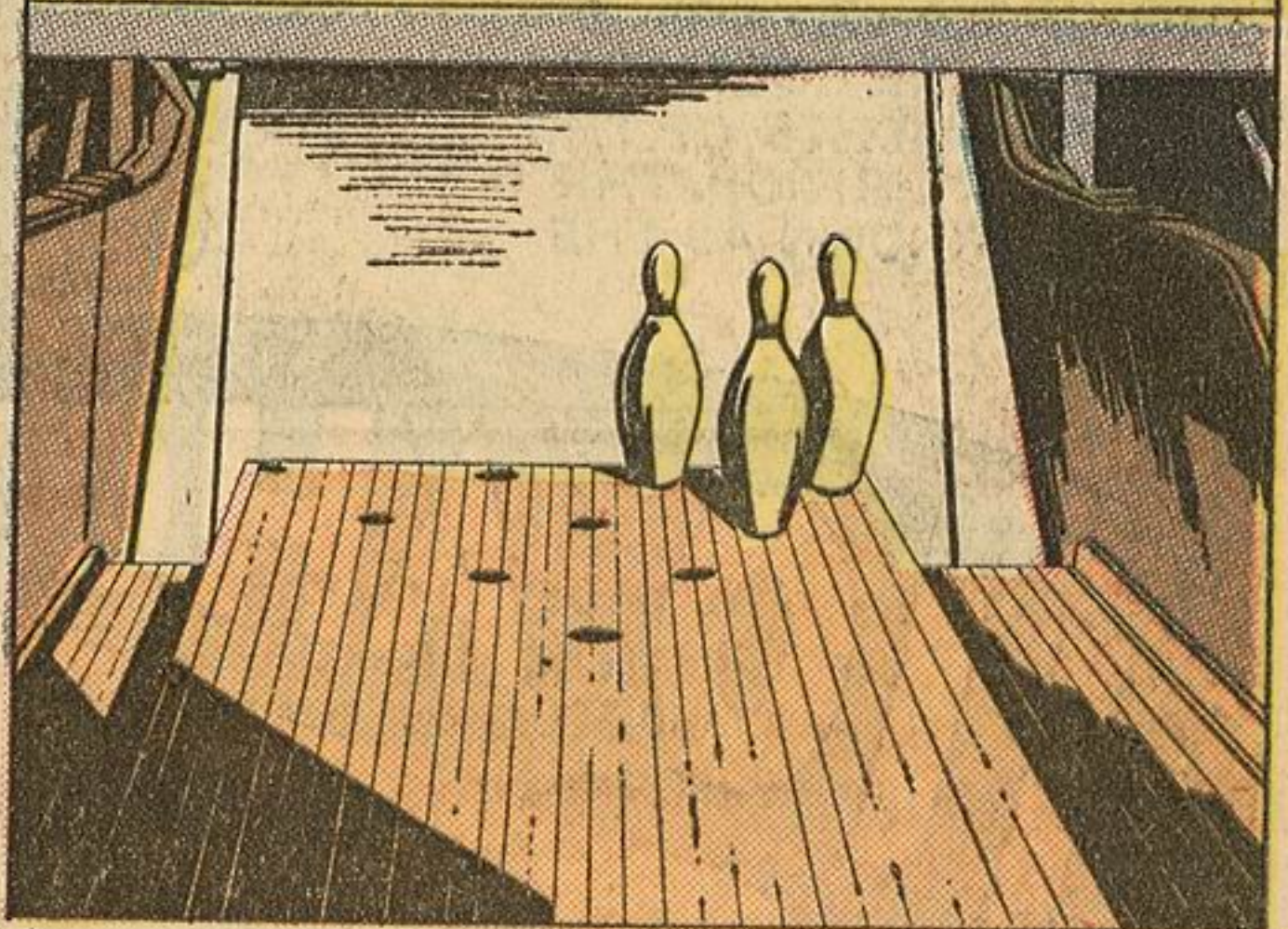
AFTER THE BOWLER DELIVERS HIS FIRST BALL, 3 PINS ARE LEFT STANDING, WITH 3 DEADWOOD PINS REMAINING ON THE ALLEY. IMMEDIATELY, THE BALL PICKUP RETURNS THE BALL, AS THE MACHINE PREPARES TO CLEAR THE ALLEY FOR THE SECOND BALL.



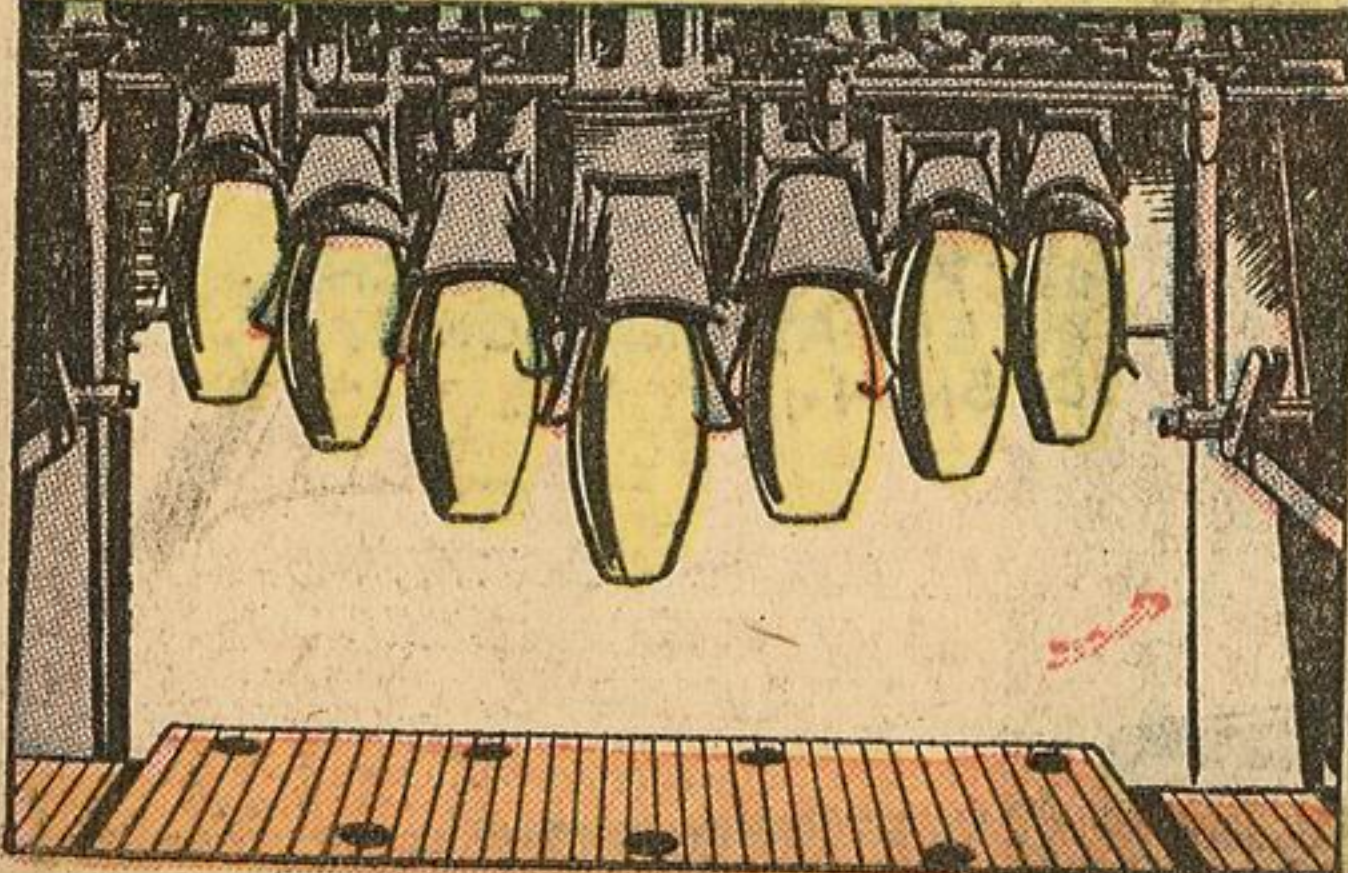
THEN, THE AUTOMATIC PINSPOTTER TABLE PICKS UP THE STANDING PINS IN SUCTION CUPS, INCLUDING THOSE KNOCKED OFFSPOT, AND THE ALLEY IS SWEEPED OF ALL DEADWOOD.



THE 3 STANDING PINS INCLUDING THOSE KNOCKED OFFSPOT, ARE REPLACED IN EXACTLY THEIR FORMER POSITION, READY FOR THE SECOND BALL.



AS SOON AS THE BOWLER HAS KNOCKED DOWN THE REMAINING 3 PINS, THE MACHINE RETURNS THE BALL. LOWERS INTO POSITION WITH THE RACK OF PINS HELD FAST BY THE GUIDES, UNTIL NOISELESSLY PLACED UPON THE DECK FOR THE NEXT BOWLER.



THE AMF AUTOMATIC PINSPOTTER CAN OPERATE CONTINUOUSLY 24 HOURS A DAY, AND CAN SET UP FROM 7½ TO 9 GAMES PER HOUR! AND THERE'S NEVER A MANPOWER SHORTAGE, BECAUSE THE "ELECTRIC PINBOY" DOES NOT NEED A REST!



UNUSUAL SPORTS

DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS, BECAUSE OF SUCH MEN AS FRANCIS HAGERTY, OF COHASSET, MASS., YACHT RACING IS NOW POPULAR AMONG PEOPLE OF MODERATE MEANS. MANY NEW RACING CLUBS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY NOW SCHEDULE RACING MEETS AND REGATTAS RIGHT AROUND THE CALENDAR. BECAUSE OF SHORTAGES DURING THE WAR, HAGERTY, PICTURED AT THE RIGHT, TURNED TO OTHER MATERIALS AND METHODS OF BOAT BUILDING. THE RESULT WAS A NEWER, LIGHTER, LESS EXPENSIVE AND FASTER MODEL THAT RATES FAVORABLY WITH THE MUCH MORE COSTLY RACING YACHTS OF THE PRE-WAR PERIOD. THE BOAT IS KNOWN AS THE "110".



110 AHoy!



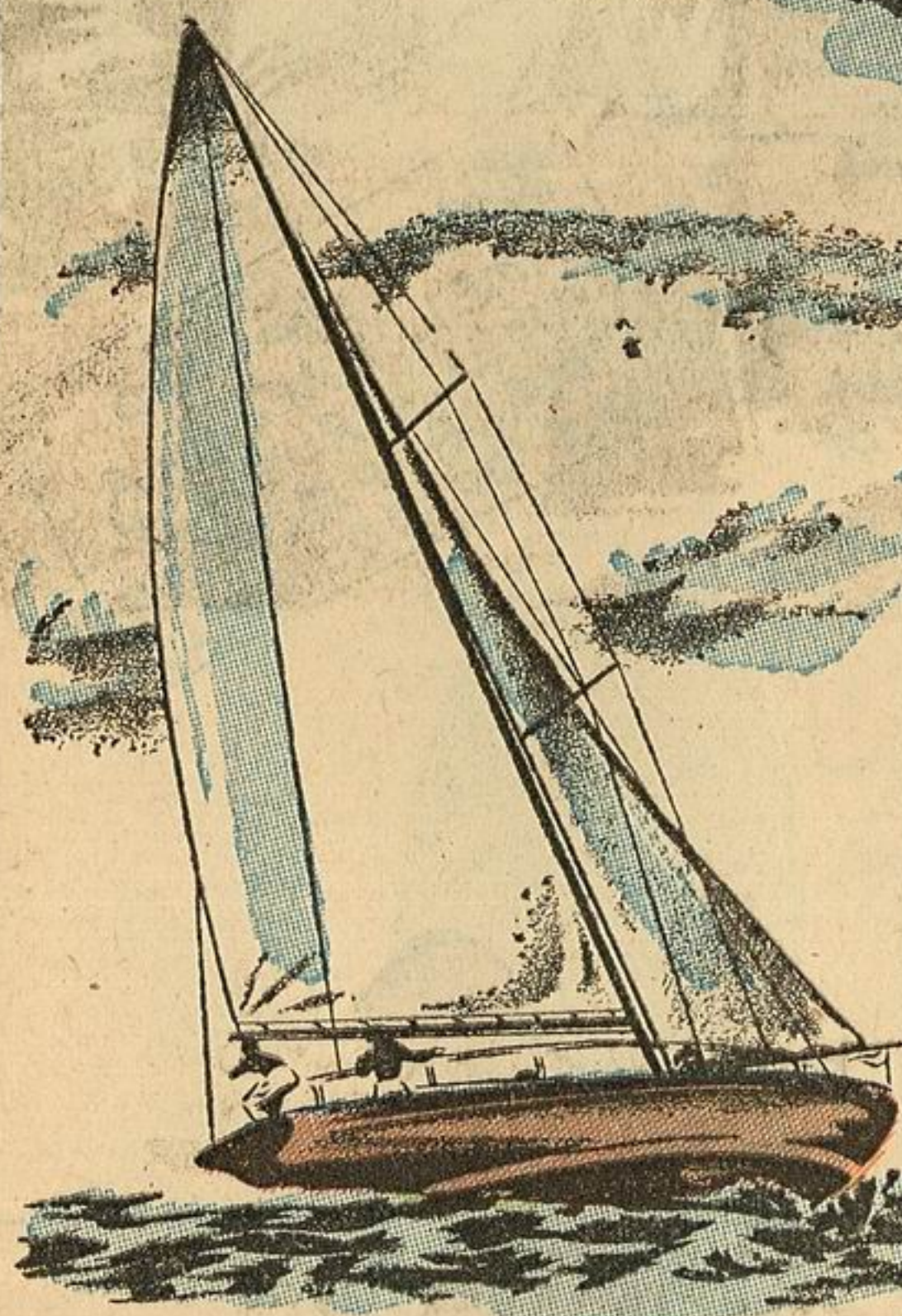
WHEN THE "110" WAS INTRODUCED IN 1939, HER UNORTHODOX LINES MADE HER A CURIOSITY UNTIL SHE SHOWED WHAT SHE COULD DO. AFTER THAT THERE WAS NO STOPPING HER. THE "110" HAS BEATEN THE TIMES OF EVERY CLASS NOW RACING WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE, THE INTERNATIONAL ONE DESIGN.

FRANCIS HAGERTY IS WELL KNOWN TOO, FOR HIS PLYWOOD ROWING SHELLS. HE HAS BUILT THEM FOR LEADING COLLEGES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN ALL SIZES FROM THE ONE-MAN BOAT TO THE EIGHT-MAN DESIGN. A GOOD NUMBER OF THEM HAVE CROSSED THE FINISH LINES FIRST IN REGATTAS ON MANY OCCASIONS.

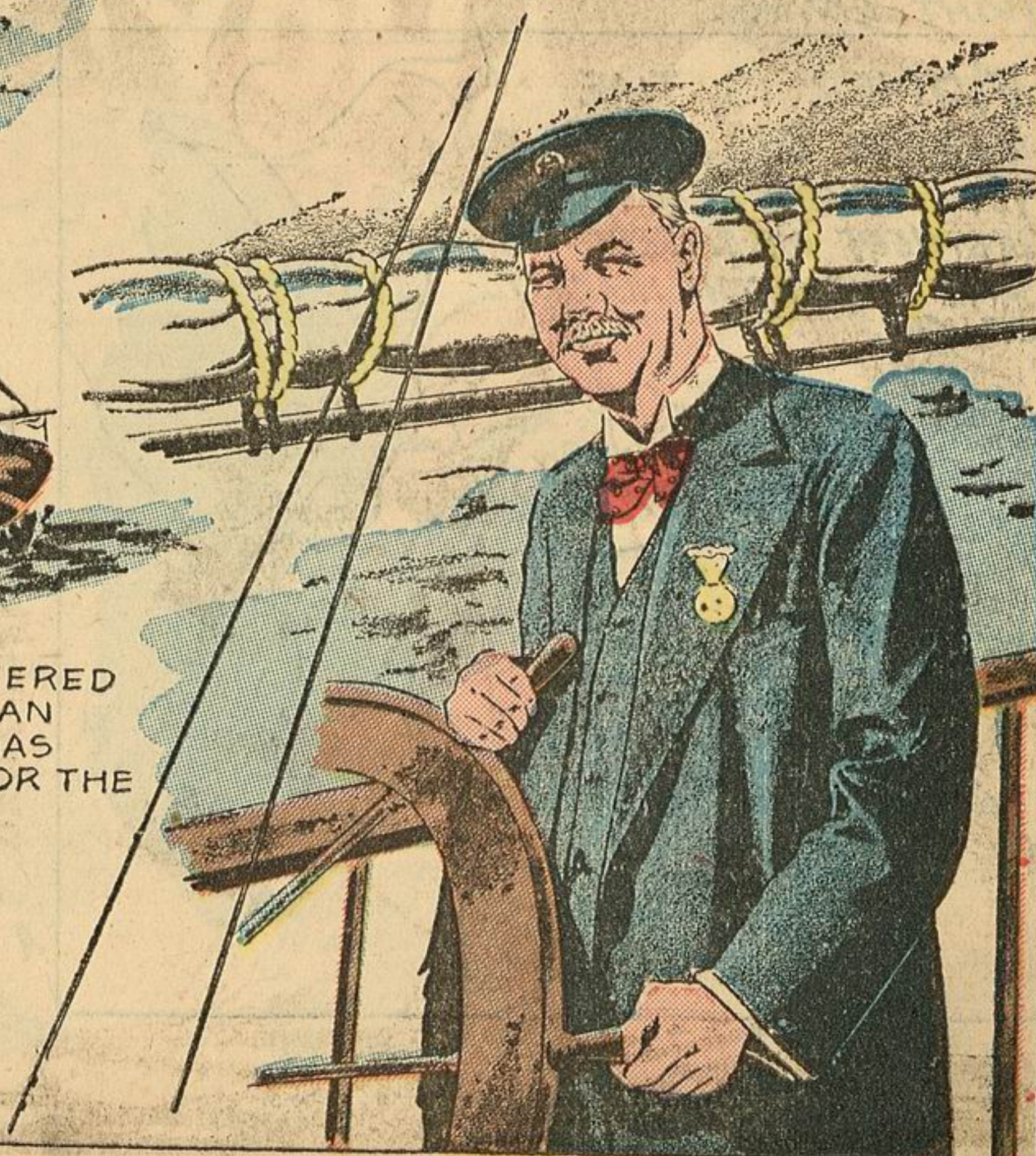


THE LATE SIR THOMAS LIPTON, ENGLISH SPORTSMAN AND BOAT

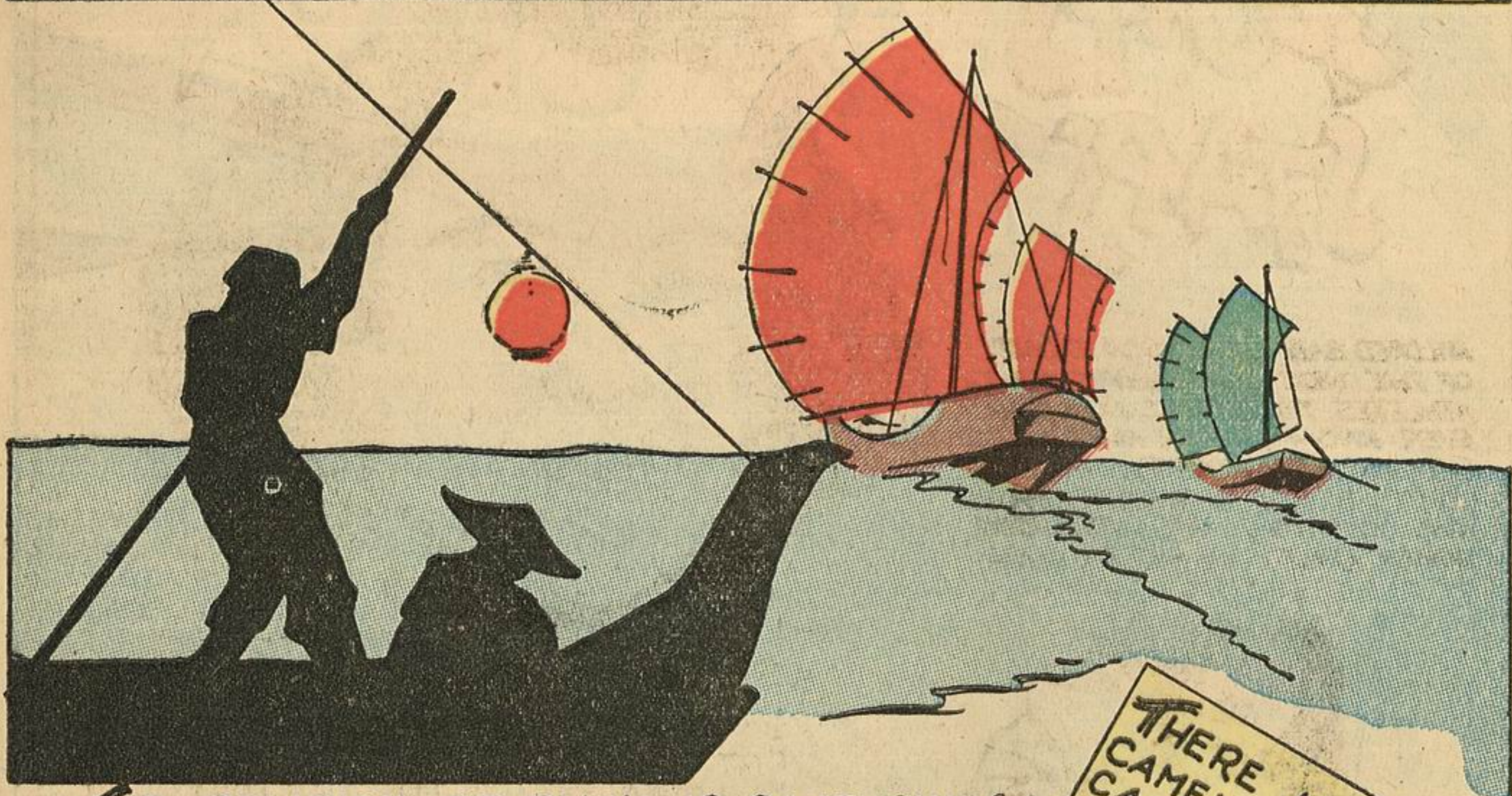
ENTHUSIAST, WHO SPENT FORTUNES BUILDING YACHTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CUP RACES EVEN THOUGH HE WAS PAST 80, WOULD HAVE BEEN AN ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTER OF THE "110".



THE LITTLE 'YACHT' HAS ENTERED THE INTERNATIONAL CLASS. AN INTERNATIONAL REGATTA HAS ALREADY BEEN PLANNED FOR THE SUMMER OF 1947.



DEBUNKER



THE RELIGION OF CHINA IS CONFUCIANISM.
CONFUCIANISM, CONTRARY TO THE POPULAR IDEA OF
IT, IS NOT A RELIGION BUT A PHILOSOPHY OF
RIGHT LIVING.

THERE IS NO
CAMEL HAIR IN A
CAMEL BRUSH. IT
IS MADE FROM THE
TAILS OF SQUIRRELS.



MOTHER IS THE
NEAREST RELATION.
NOT IF THE CHILD HAS
BROTHERS OR SISTERS WHICH
MAKE THEM THE NEAREST
OF KIN.



THE PRAIRIE DOG
IS NOT A DOG BUT
A SQUIRREL.

UNUSUAL SPORTS STARS

MILDRED 'BABE' DIDRICKSON IS ONE OF THE MOST OUTSTANDING WOMAN ATHLETES THE SPORTS WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN. IN HER AMATEUR DAYS SHE WON 632 OUT OF 634 ATHLETIC CONTESTS IN WHICH SHE PARTICIPATED. SHE WAS NAMED 'THE OUTSTANDING WOMAN ATHLETE' IN 1932 AND IN 1945.



IN THE 1932 OLYMPICS SHE WON THE JAVELIN THROW, ESTABLISHING A NEW WOMEN'S RECORD, WON THE HIGH HURDLES EVENT AND PLACED SECOND IN THE HIGH JUMP. BESIDES PLAYING A CHAMPIONSHIP GAME OF GOLF (SHE WON THE WESTERN WOMEN'S OPEN TITLE 3 TIMES) SHE IS A TOP-RANKING TENNIS PLAYER AS WELL AS A 5 TIME ALL-AMERICAN CHOICE ON THE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM. SHE AVERAGES AROUND 200 IN BOWLING. SHE IS MARRIED TO GEORGE ZAHARIAS, A HEAVYWEIGHT WRESTLER

HELL'S ANGELS



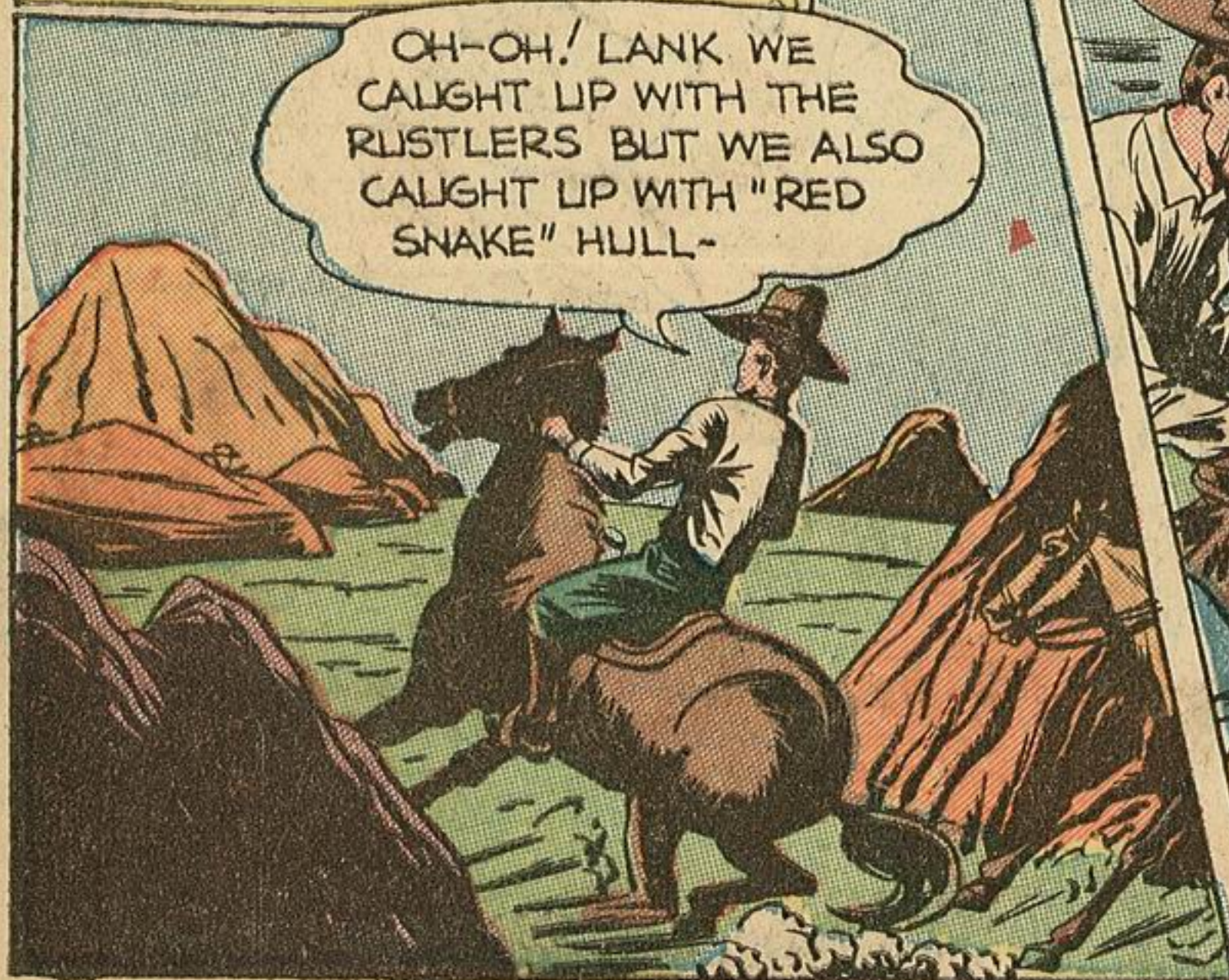
RAW MOTIVE MUST NOW BECOME FRITZ NERON'S ONLY MOTIVE! TOO MANY TIMES HAVE THE HELL'S ANGELS FRUSTRATED HIS SATANIC ATTEMPTS TO SMASH THEIR T-BONE RANCH AND AIR-CARGO SERVICE AND TO KIDNAP LOVELY RITA WORTH AS HIS SLAVE-BRIDE - BEHIND NERON IS HIS TOP BOSS, THE MYSTERIOUS "XZ" WHO IS DICTATOR OF A RUTHLESS INTERNATIONAL GANG OF DEFEATED AXIS POWERS SEEKING WORLD REVENGE AND DOMINATION -

NOW THE "XZ" HAS DEMANDED FINAL TORTURE AND DEATH FOR THE ANGELS! THIS HEROIC TRIO - CLEM WEST, LANK STRONG, AND GIL LITTLE - WON WORLD-FAME DURING THE WAR AS COMBAT FLIERS OF THE NOTED "HELL'S ANGELS"....

RIDING DOWN CATTLE THIEVES, THE ANGELS ARE AMBUSHED!

OH-OH! LANK WE CAUGHT UP WITH THE RUSTLERS BUT WE ALSO CAUGHT UP WITH "RED SNAKE" HULL-

WELL, WE'LL GIVE IT TO ALL OF THE BLISHWHACKERS! FEED 'EM LEAD, LANK!



THEN TO CLEM'S AMAZEMENT!!

HEY!!
WHAT IN
THE--??

WHAM!

OKAY, RED
SNAKE,
YOU WIN!

HAVE YOU GONE
PLUMB LOCO? THE
SNAKE IS ONE OF
FRITZ NERON'S
TOP HIRELINGS!

YUH'RE
CRAWLIN' QUICKER'N
I FIGGERED, YOUNG
FELLER!

YOU KEEP THE PRIZE BULLS
YOU RUSTLED OFF US, WE
RIDE BACK TO THE T-BONE
UNHARMED!

NOW WOULDN'T THAT BE
JEST FINE AND DANDY!

I GET IT-LANK
DIDN'T WANT TO
ENDANGER
RITA-

WA'L, THAT AIN'T THE WAY
I SIZE THE PLAY, PARDNER!

WE THROW OUR BRAND ON
TH' PRIZE CRITTERS--AN' WE
ALSO DAB A LOOP ON THE HELL'S
ANGELS! WHICH INCLUDES RITA,
YORE PLURTY COW-
GIRL STRAW-BOSS!

IT'S
LIKE
THAT,
EH--

THEN IT'S ALSO
LIKE THIS!!

UHHG!

NOW YORE
TALKIN'!





BECAUSE I THINK I'M GOING TO HAVE TO SNEEZE!

I'M TELLING YOU, BUD--KEEP YOUR TRAP SHUT!

OKAY, GO AHEAD--

YES, SIR



KER-CHOO!

WHY YOU!



OH-OH! SOME-BODY'S COMING DOWN WITH A COLD!!

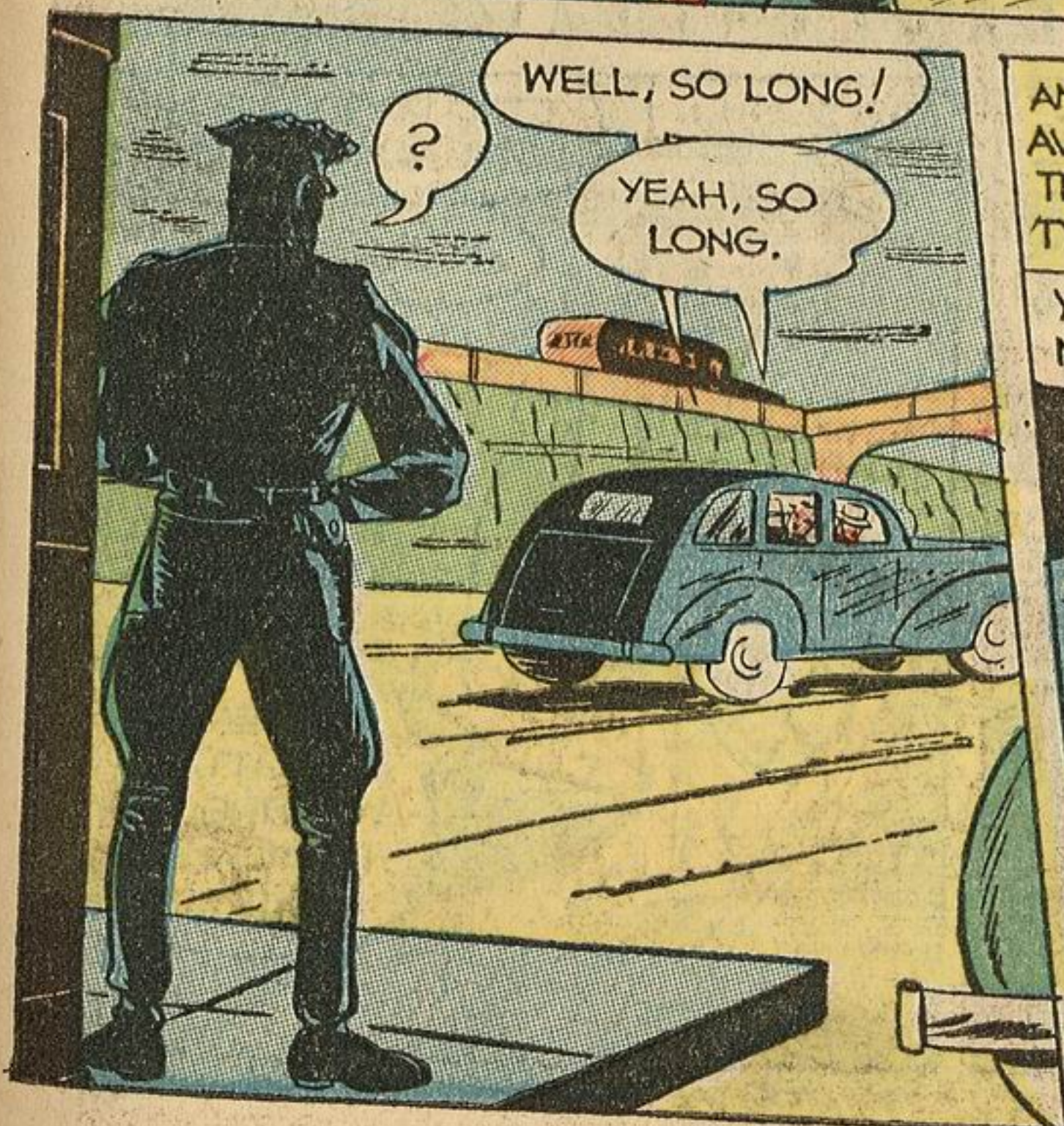
YEAH, HE GOT HIS FEET WET--

WAIT...

AN HE'S BEEN SITTING IN A DRAFT--



OH!



WELL, SO LONG!

YEAH, SO LONG.

AND THAT NIGHT, HIGH UP IN THE SWANK FIFTH AVE. PENTHOUSE OF ONE EYE RAPON, ANOTHER OF NERON'S LIEUTENANTS, A SPECIAL PARTY IS HELD--FOR NERON'S HENCHMEN ONLY--

YUH OLT-DID YERSELF, BOSS-- NEVER SEEN NUTTIN' DAT FUNNY.

T'ROW DA MONKEYS ANNUIDDER PEANUT-DEY LOOK HONGRY-- OH-HO-HO--



YUH T'INK DA FLOOR SHOW IS OKAY, EH BOSS?

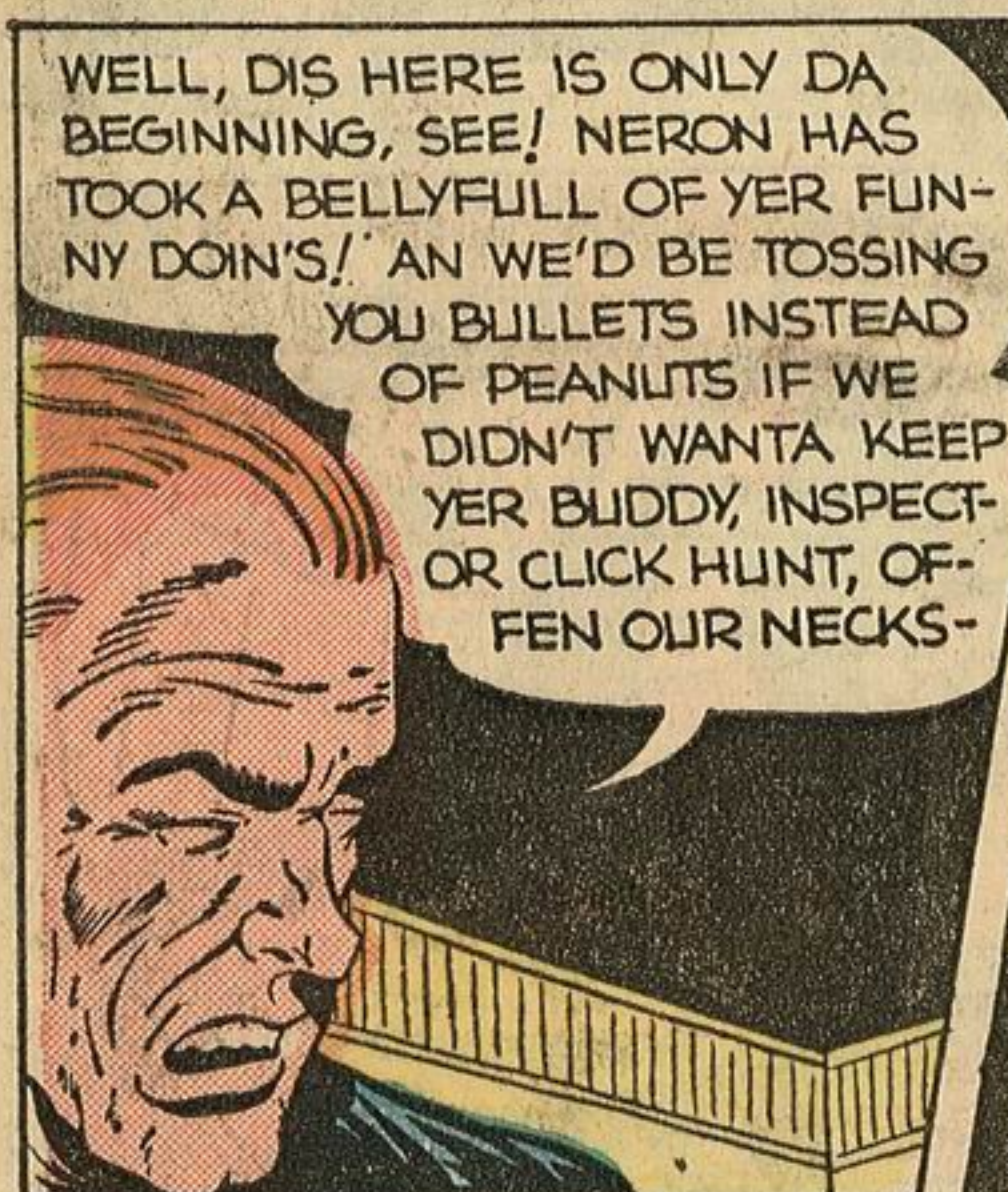


HA-HA-
HA-

OH-HO-HO

GO AWAY AND GET
LOST, RAPON!!

JUST IMAGINE!! DA GREAT BIG
HEROIC, HELLS ANGELS BEING
FED PEANUTS LIKE IN
A ZOO!!



WELL, DIS HERE IS ONLY DA
BEGINNING, SEE! NERON HAS
TOOK A BELLYFULL OF YER FUN-
NY DOIN'S! AN WE'D BE TOSSING
YOU BULLETS INSTEAD
OF PEANUTS IF WE
DIDN'T WANTA KEEP
YER BUDDY, INSPECT-
OR CLICK HUNT, OF-
FEN OUR NECKS-

SO WE'RE GONNA
SHIP YUH AGAIN TO
DA FAR EAST WHERE
NERON CAN POLISH YUH
OFF WIT' NO INSPECTORS
OR NUTTIN' TO GIT IN
HIS HAIR

(GROAN) WHICH
WILL DO OUR RANCH
AND AIR FREIGHT SER-
VICE A LOT OF GOOD
MEANTIME-

AND THREE NIGHTS LATER,
A PLANE BEARING THE AN-
GELS ROARS OVER THE
VAST UNCHARTED HIMA-
LAYA MOUNTAINS



JEST MAKE YERSELF COM-
FORTABLE PRETTY FACE, BE-
CAUSE WE'RE HOLDIN' YUH HERE
AS A HOSTAGE—JUST IN CASE DA
ANGELS TRY ANYTHING FUNNY-

AND SOON...

STOP PRODDING ME
WITH BAMBOO POLES!!

SHADDAP!

HIS GRAMMAR
IS A LITTLE
WANTING, LANK-
HE MEANS
SHUT UP!

AND FINALLY THE ANGELS ARE TAKEN BEFORE NERON.... IN THE LUXURIOUS PALACE-HIDEOUT OF NERON'S CHIEF, THE "XZ" -

DIS HERE LANKY ONE T'INKS HE'S FUNNY BOSS! HE MAKES VERY FUNNY RE-MARKS-

INDEED! WELL, MR. STRONG, YOU SHALL HAVE MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO AMUSE US.

IT'S A REAL DELIGHT TO SEE YOUR SUNNY SMILE AGAIN, NERON.



UGH!

NOW WAIT A MINUTE KING-KONG!

IN FACT YOU MIGHT START AMUSING US ALMOST IMMEDIATELY, MR. STRONG! BOLO, TOSS THE GENTLEMAN ABOUT A BIT!!

LG!



WHY THE DIRTY-!

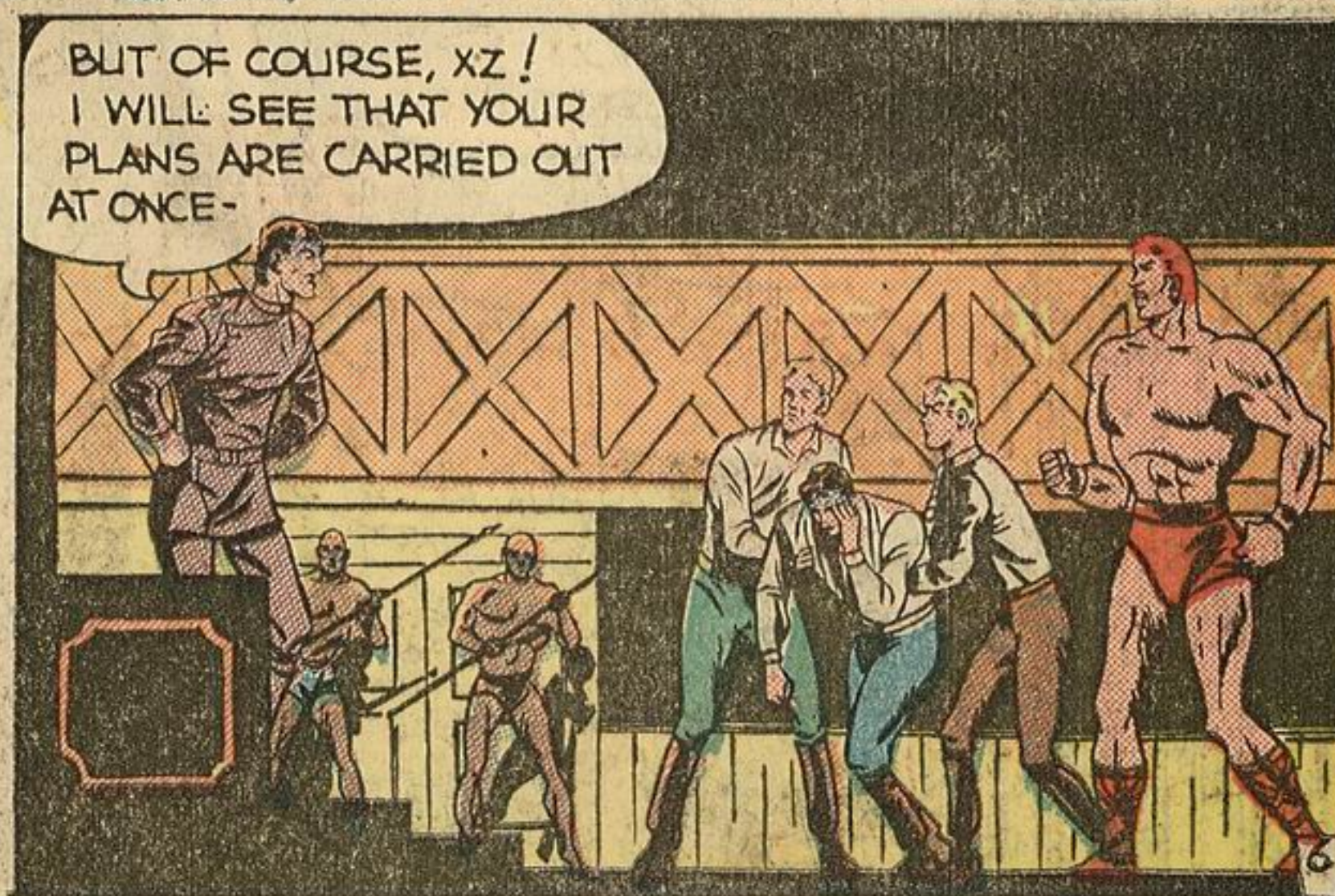
VERY PRETTY, BOLO, VERY PRETTY



NERON, WHY DO YOU TOY WITH THESE AMERICAN PIGS?



BUT OF COURSE, XZ! I WILL SEE THAT YOUR PLANS ARE CARRIED OUT AT ONCE-



XZ'S ORDERS
SOON RESULT
IN THE
ANGELS BE-
ING STARVED
AND BEATEN
UP DAILY
AS SLAVES
OF THE
GIANT WILD
TRIBES,
WHO ARE
RULED BY
THE "XZ".



YOU FIND THESE
DAILY BOLTS A
BIT TRYING, ANGEL?

(GROAN) THEY
SHOVE.... BIGGER ONES
AT US.... EVERY DAY!!

LIG

AND MINUTES LATER....



UHH!

ONE DAY WHEN THE ANGELS
SITUATION WAS MOST HOPE-
LESS, A TRADING CARAVAN
ARRIVES FROM HONG-KONG-



HOLY SMOKE, LANK, THAT'S....
THAT'S AH KING, THE CHINESE
PILOT WE PULLED OUT OF
THAT JAP AIR TRAP WHEN
WE WERE WITH THE FLY-
ING TIGERS-



BUT IN THEIR STARVED CONDITION, THE ANGELS
ARE NOT RECOGNIZABLE BY AH KING....



AH KING!! YOU
REMEMBER US?

ER... NO...
GENTLEMEN...

THE HELL'S ANGELS,
AH KING, REMEMBER?
WE MET OVER
HOKKU---



UHH!!



BUT THE HELL'S ANGELS WERE STRONG, HANDSOME LADS. YET, ONLY THEY COULD KNOW OF THE OBSCURE TOWN OF HOKKLI—



AND LATE THAT NIGHT.....

AH KING!! BUT HOW DID YOU?

GET PAST YOUR GUARD? I BRIBED HIM WITH A FEW TRINKETS.... BUT GENTLEMEN, ARE YOU INDEED ACTUALLY THE HELLS ANGELS...

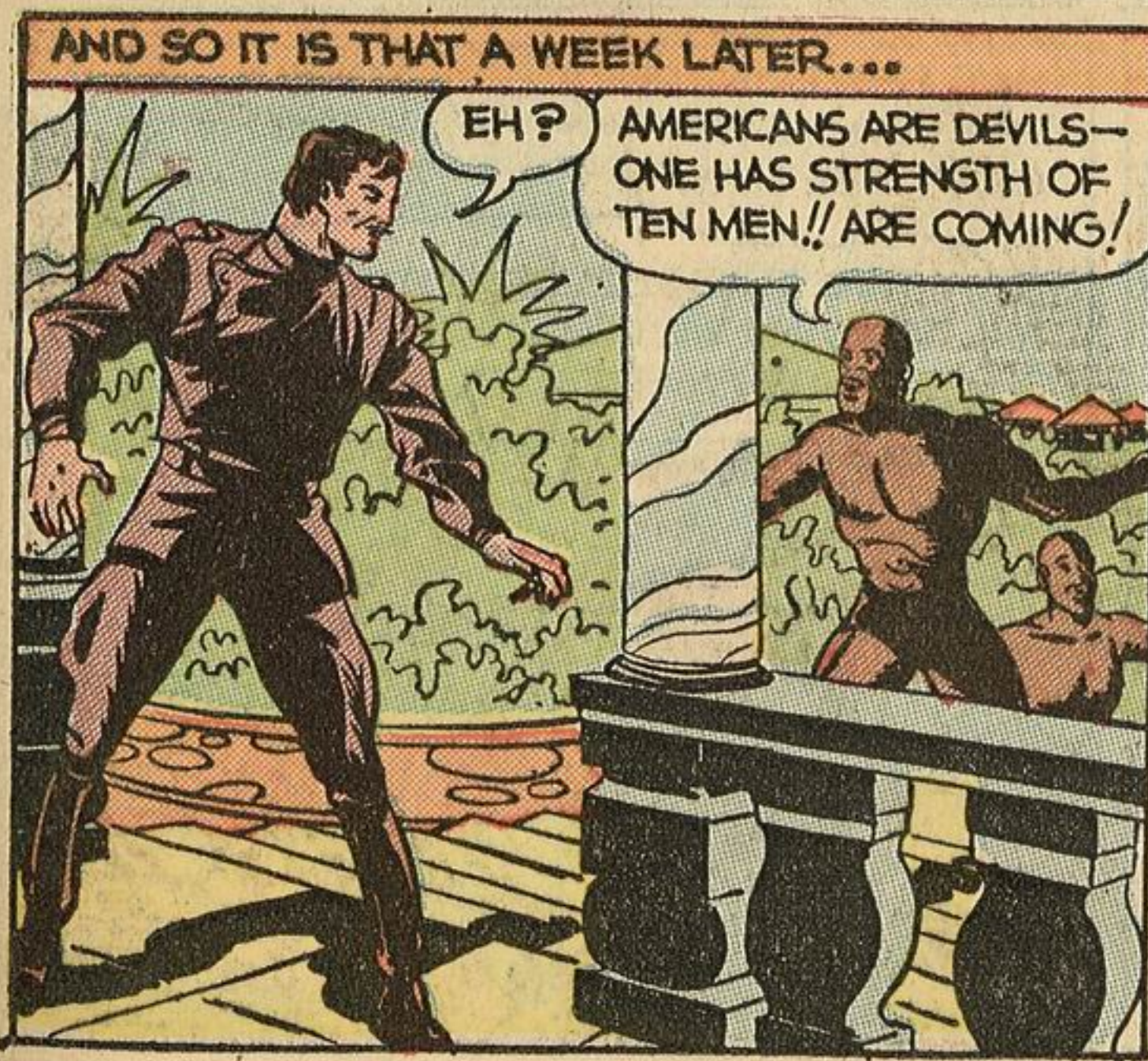
THE ANGELS PROVE THEIR IDENTITY BY RECALLING INCIDENTS IN THE WAR WHEN, FLYING WING TO WING, THE ANGELS AND AH KING BLASTED JAPS OUT OF THE FLAMING CHINA SKIES.....

AH, OUR PAST EXCITING DAYS!! NOW MORE DANGER AS WE PLAN TO OUTWIT THIS FRITZ NERON!!

OUR TROUBLE IS HOW TO HANDLE THESE BEHEMOTHS THAT NERON HAS SICKED ON US WHILE WE'RE WEAK AS KITTENS FROM STARVATION—



MAY I MAKE A FEW HUMBLE SUGGESTIONS IN THAT CONNECTION, GENTLEMEN?



AND SO IT IS THAT A WEEK LATER...

EH?

AMERICANS ARE DEVILS—ONE HAS STRENGTH OF TEN MEN!! ARE COMING!



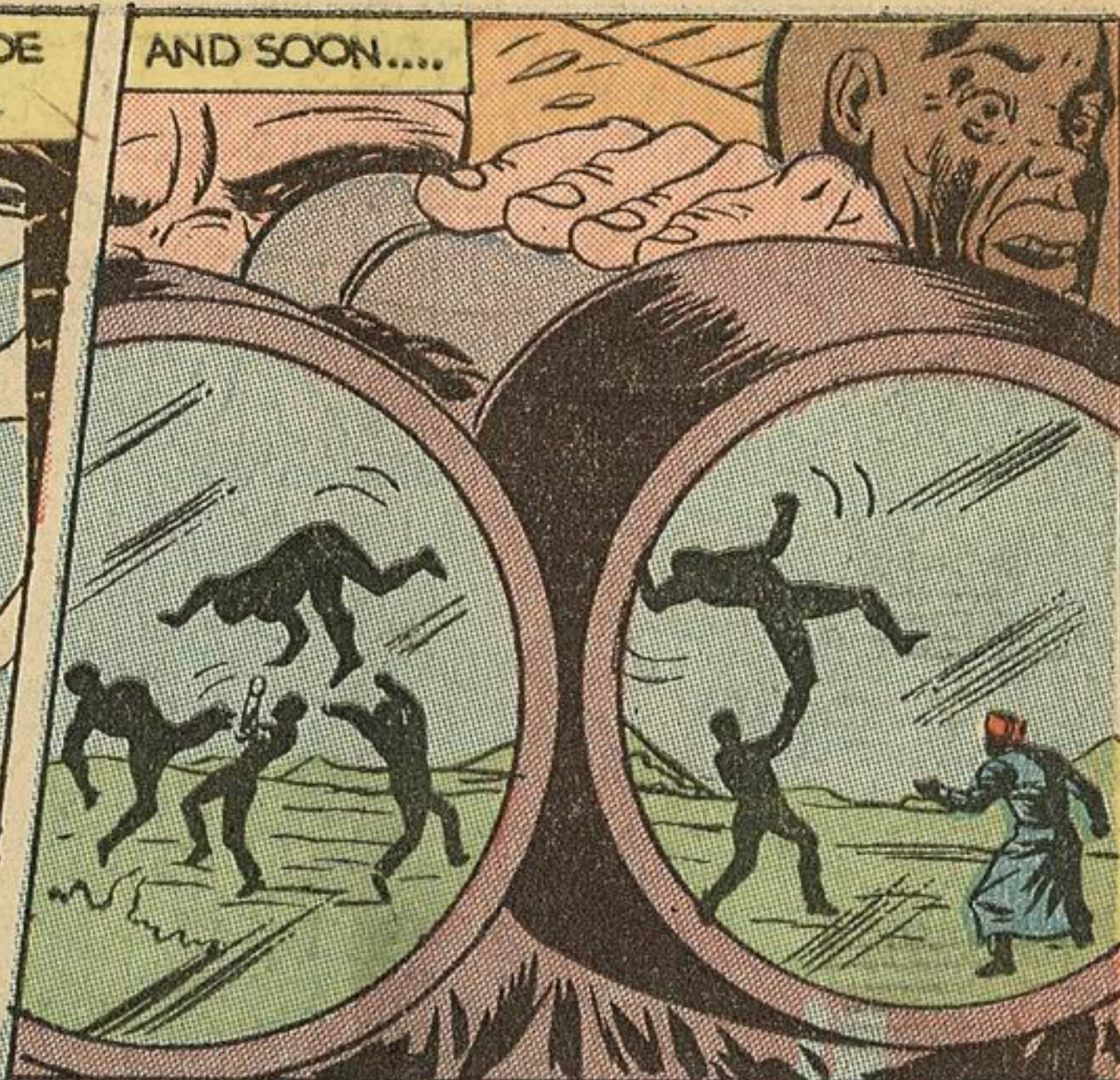
BUT YOU FOOLS, THE AMERICANS ARE ALMOST DEAD, YOU'VE BEATEN AND STARVED THEM FOR WEEKS!

WE'RE ALMOST DEAD!! LOOK!!

THEN, NERON LOOKS DOWN THE MOUNTAIN SIDE THROUGH FIELD GLASSES AND IS SCARED....



AND SOON....

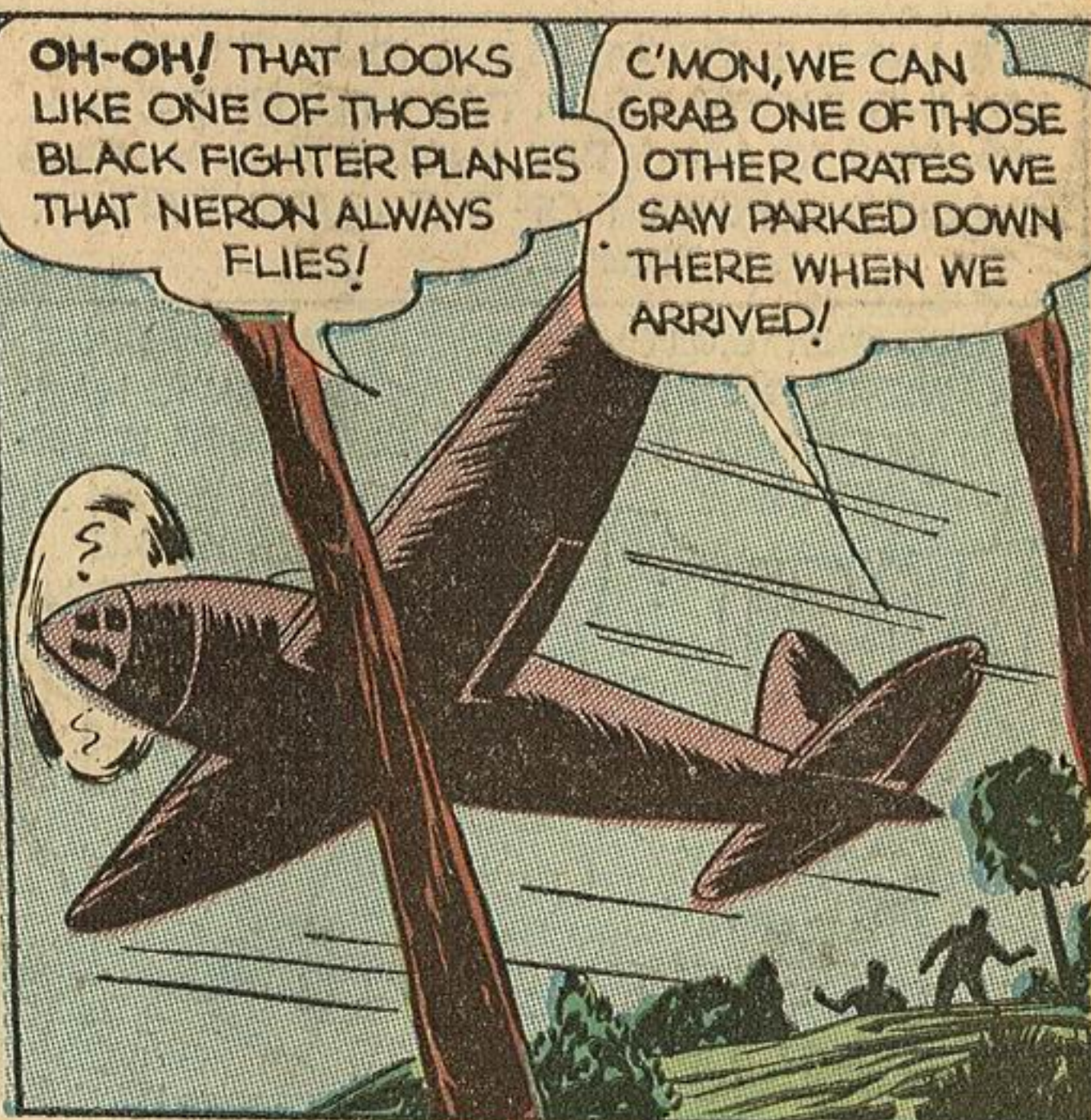


WHAT SUDDENLY GOT INTO THE ANGELS? I MUST GET OUT OF HERE AT ONCE!



OH-OH! THAT LOOKS LIKE ONE OF THOSE BLACK FIGHTER PLANES THAT NERON ALWAYS FLIES!

C'MON, WE CAN GRAB ONE OF THOSE OTHER CRATES WE SAW PARKED DOWN THERE WHEN WE ARRIVED!



AND MINUTES LATER, THE ANGELS ARE WINGING AFTER NERON!!

NERON MUST HAVE STOLEN THIS PLANE FROM A PACIFIC AIR BASE-

YES, IT'S THE SAME KIND WE USED AT BIKINI-



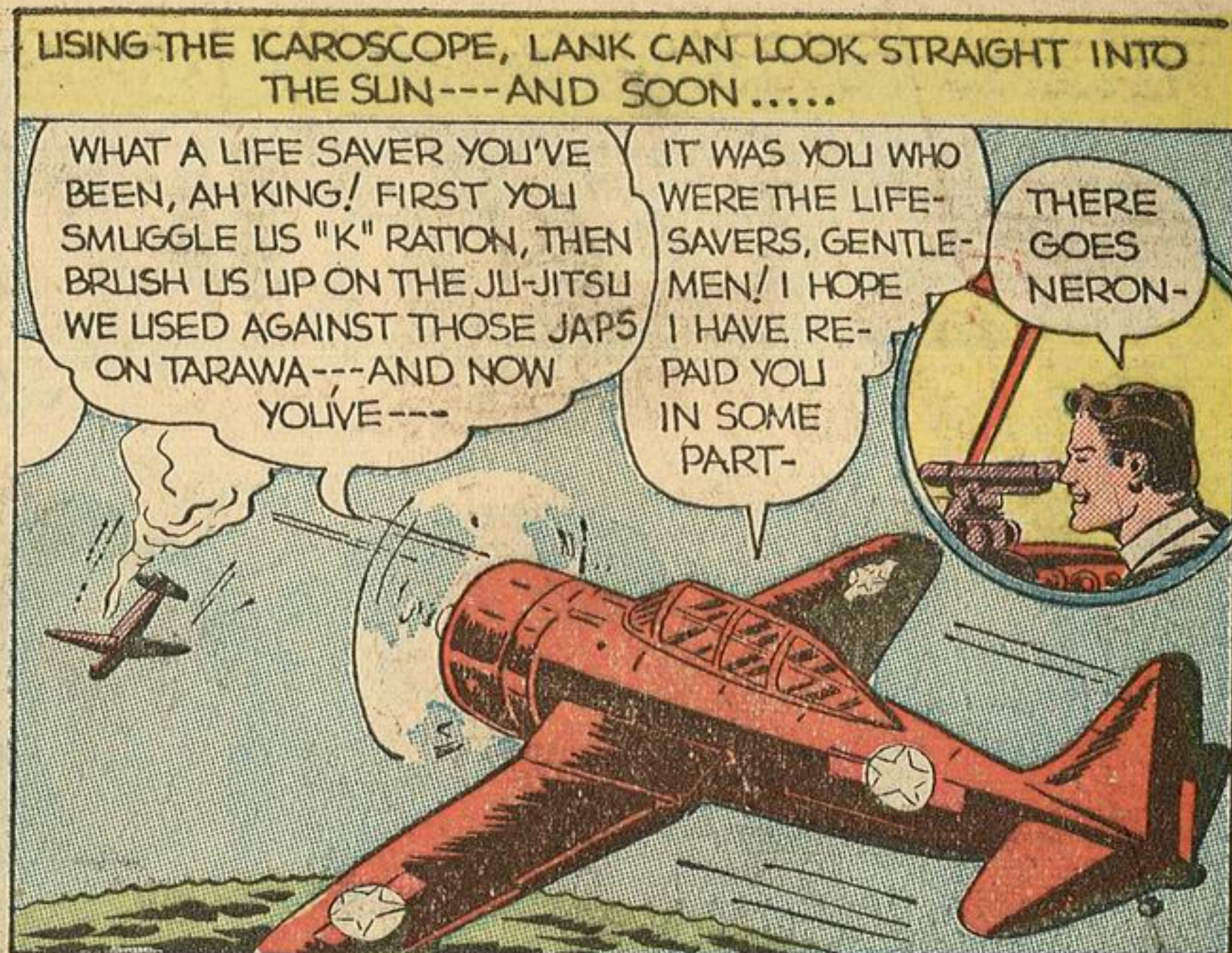
HE'S HEADING INTO THE SUN SO WE CAN'T SEE HIM!

THAT TRICK NEVER BOTHERED US WHEN WE FOUGHT THE JAPS IN OUR AMERICAN PLANES





BECAUSE YOUR PLANES WERE ALWAYS EQUIPPED WITH AN ICAROSCOPE- YES, HERE IT IS.!



USING THE ICAROSCOPE, LANK CAN LOOK STRAIGHT INTO THE SUN---AND SOON.....

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IT WAS YOU WHO WERE THE LIFE-SAVERS, GENTLEMEN! I HOPE I HAVE REPAYED YOU IN SOME PART-

THERE GOES NERON-



WELL, I GUESS NERON COULD HAVE SWUM ASHORE UNDER WATER, BUT I DOUBT IT-

HECK WITH THAT RAT!

LET'S GET BACK TO NEW YORK AND RESCUE RITA!

RIGHT!



AND TWO DAYS LATER, ONE EYE RAPON PLAYS HOST TO THREE UNEXPECTED GUESTS....

SORRY TO BREAK IN ON YOUR LITTLE PARTY LIKE THIS RAPON!

GIL! OH, THANK HEAVENS!

RITA!



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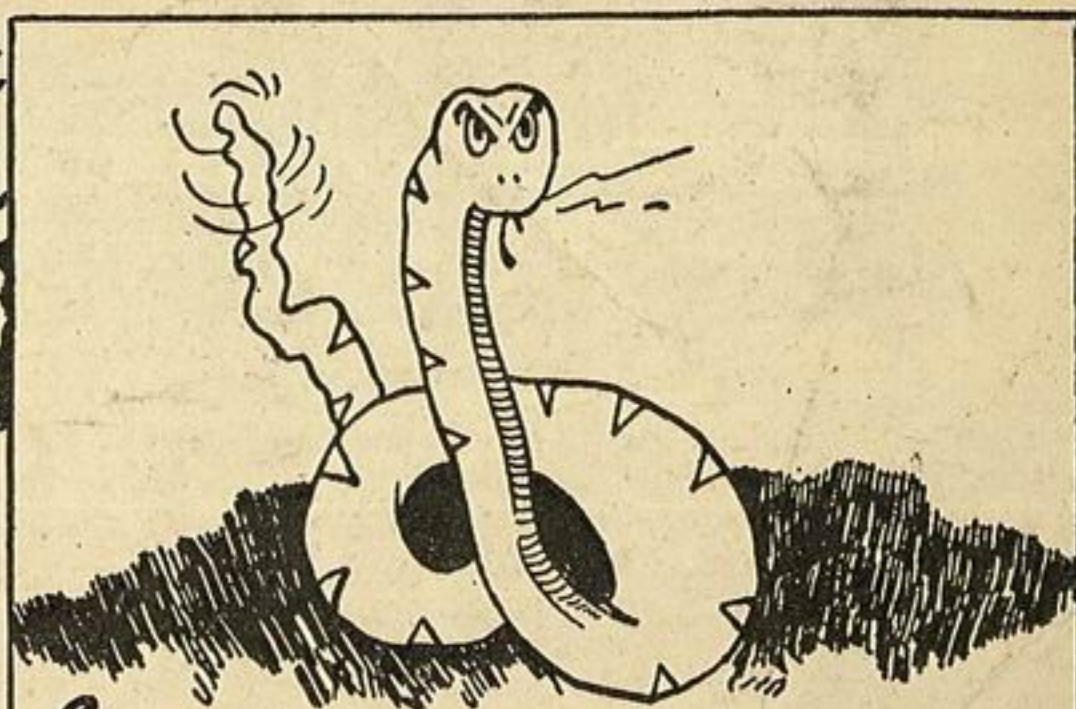


BLACK IS NOT A COLOR.
BLACK ABSORBS ALL COLORS
AND GIVES NO LIGHT WAVES,
SO IT HAS NO COLOR.

A RED CLOTH WILL MADDEN A BULL.
SIDNEY FRANKLIN, THE BROOKLYN BORN BULLFIGHTER,
SAYS "IT IS NOT THE RED CLOTH THAT MAKES THE BULL
MAD, BUT THE FACT THAT THE CLOTH IS MOVING. PINK
PAJAMAS OR A GREEN TABLECLOTH WOULD EXCITE HIS
ANGER JUST AS MUCH."



PARROTS CAN TALK.
A PARROT WILL ONLY IMITATE
SOUNDS THAT IT FEELS WILL
BRINGS RESULTS. IT WILL REPEAT A
SOUND UNTIL IT BECOMES A HABIT.



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